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MERCHANTS HOLD WHIPHAND

## Peerless Swindlers Make Complete

 Back Down.The victims entatives of the Peerless Talking Machine Co. are now receiving letters from the Chicago sharpers read ing as follows:

Chicago, Oct. 27-We have not reeived any reply to our letter of October 6 , regarding payment of our draft the two machines which you orred from us September 8.
As you apparently are not satisfied with the terms of the agency agreement which you signed, we suggest that you kindly return the two machines to us at once by express prepaid, and on receipt of same, we will
terminate your agency. Manager Peerless Talking Machine

It will be noted that the letters from the Chicago office of the sharks request the return of the machines without saying anything about the notes. The Tradesman advises its friends in trade who have been in eigled into signing the the agency agreements to refuse to give up the machines until the notes are first re turned. In cases where cartage harges have been incurred, the Tradesman suggests that the merhants insist on being reimbursed for

The merchants now have the whip hand-thanks to the exposure o he swindle (or attempted swindle) he the Tradesman-and there is yon why they should not apply the rason why they should not apply the he cheats to ood purpose
A new angle to the swindle has appeared during the past week in the hape of "agency agreements" which

Flint as the main office of the mpany." The certificate also bears he New York address of the "com pany," which is probably a myth.
No street number is given at Flint, which leads to the belief that the Flint headquarters was in the pocket of the crafty chap who made that city his base while operating in Eastern Michigan. The name of the man who signed the certificates which purport ed to come from Flint is R. Kramer.

## Two More Victims.

Walkerville, Nov. 1-We were handed a copy of your paper to-day and find in it the exposure of the Peerless Talking Machine C
are caught as well as the rest.

A man walked into the store one day and said, "Do you think you could sell any talking machines here?'

I said, "No, we haven't any money spend for them
Then he said he didn't want us to invest any money, but wanted to send two sample machines here, so we could take orders from people and when we sold a machine take out 25 per cent. and send them the rest so I told him he could send them in that way, but we would not put any money into them in any way.
In a short time the machines came and in two days after that came an invoice for $\$ 315$ to pay for the machines, so I wrote them we were no to pay for machines until sold and they wrote back that we had signed a note, due on demand, and they were drawing on us through our local bank, but we have not paid yet and will not pay until we have to. When the man was here he filled out a blank for me to $\operatorname{sign}$ as their looked all right there was looked all right and there was no note on it, so they must have had th note underneath with carbon paper between, so I wrote our name in that way. Now what can we do about it,
anything? Walker Hardware Co.

Dansville, Nov. 1-I am another Peerless Talking Machine Co. victim The agent used the same tactics with me as with others mentioned in your paper, except that he put into the contract in writing that the Peer less Talking Machine Co. would send a selling force within three weeks and sell the machines for me.
I am sending contract for your inpection and request your advice as to proper course of procedure.

In all cases the Tradesman has re plied to enquiries of this kind as follows:
Grand Rapids, Nov. 2-I am sorry ou got caught in the meshes of the Chicago swindlers. Under no circumstances make any settlement with the cheats. The notes are invalid on three grounds. I will cheerfully disclose hese reasons to you or your attorney ny time youl are sued on the note, which I do not think will ever be the case.
Note carefully my articles in the Tradesman and watch for any further developments I may chronicle from week to week.
If you have not yet received the talking machines, I would advise you to refuse to accept them from the transportation company.
Write the concern at once as follows:
"Cancel my order for talking machines,, as obtained by false preenses."
Keep a copy of your letter and acquaint me immediately with any further developments
If you have the machines in stock, vrite the Chicago concern that they are held by you, subject to their or-

When you receive notice from the bank that the note is there for colection, call at the bank and write on the back of the note

Payment refused because signature "as obtained by fraud
This will prevent the swindlers from selling the note to an alleged "innocent third party." E. A. Stowe.

WOOL AND WOOLENS. months of Government owned wool held in Boston the other day, the coarse varieties offered were disposed of, although the prices obtained were very low. The carpet manufacturers were the buyers. At Sydney, Aus tralia, quite good prices were had for fine merinos, the principal buyers being Americans. Not much move ment as yet is shown in domestic wools. While the mills are securing ertain kinds of wool which they wish to be sure of, they are not buying in any large way, feeling certain that they will be able to get what they need when the time comes when they must have it. Their business just now does not warrant too great an investment in raw material. Reports of the mills made to the Bureau of the Census as of Oct. 1 show a smaller percenta $e$ of idle looms on that date than on Sept. 1, but larger than there hould be. Nearly one-half of the wide looms and over one-third of the arr wer were reported idle. Of spinning spindles 43.2 per cent. of those on woolens were idle and 26 per cent. f those on worsteds. Cutters-up have received their samples for sping, but have been in no hurry to ut in orders. They are waiting to see what encouragement they can get from retailers. The business of the latter has been delayed by the warmth of the weather for nearly the whole of the month, and has been further disturbed by the number of the clearnce and cut-price sales which have been in progress in different cities. The general attitude of the clothing manufacturers is shown in an announcement by one of the large Chicago concerns in advising its customers to wait until later before putting in orders for spring. Unless business picks up very materially there is a likelihood that some pretty drastic cuts in prices will be shown when spring clothing is offered.

## COTTON GOODS MARKET.

Despite the wabbles which the quotations reflected, the past week showed a rather strong understone in the cotton situation. This is entirely regardless of the bullish sentiment evoked by the first frost of the season in a portion of the growing districts. In point of fact, the frost came at about the usual time and too late to afiect anything except the top crop. But what gives strength to cotton is that prices have gone down about as far as they can and that any further decided tendency must be upward rather than downward. Prices have not been helped any by the measures advocated looking toward a stoppage of ginning. Nothing could be gained by such a course, as this would not
lessen the quantity of cotton, and, as one man put it, "cotton can be held in the bale as well as in the seed." The mill men, especially those in the outh, are not anxious to have cotton go lower. They can make a good profit on fabrics at reduced prices ven if the cost of cotton advanced quitc a bit on recent figures, and they would be surer of bigger sales of goods if the price of the raw material went up. The demand for fabrics continues quite weak despite the price cuts which have been made. Sales of gray goods have been light and have been made on the low bases reently reached. Bleached and printed goods have met with some favor on
the part of buyers, but there has been no eagerness shown in the purchases. Credit considerations have played a
part in the reluctance to buy in quantity. The lack of orders for cotton goods in general has caused a further curtailment of production down South, as well as in the East. More activity is expected in knit goods about the middle of November. In hosiery, things remain about as they were, with decided price weakness and

TREND OF FOOTWEAR PRICES Buyers of footwear are beginning despite the predictions that this Fall would show the peak of high costs. Packers and tanners are agreed that hides were never so plentiful and The slump in the export trade has been a factor in producing this situation. In August, for example, the value of the leather exports was put at $\$ 5,058,896$ as against $\$ 23,544,890$ in the corresponding month last year. Exports of boots and shoes have also been dropping in recent months. number of shoe factories have either closed down or are working on part time because of the absence of demand. Despite the marked decline in the cost of raw materials, prices have not dropped correspondingly for boots and shoes. The high labor cost is sometimes blamed for this, but this position is hardly tenable when it is considered how small a percentage of cost is due to labor. On firmer ground are those who explain the high retail price of footwear as due to the reluctance of deal ers to let go their holdings at anywhere near their cost of replacement They are hoping to sell them at some profit over what they cost, but the public fails to respond and keeps on getting its old shoes cobbled. Meanwhile, the manufacturers are obtaining few orders and are obliged to cur tail production. The logic of the sit uation will soon call for a different policy, to the advantage of all concerned. The shoe trade will have to do what other trades are doing.

ADAMS DUCKING CLAIMS.
Express Co. Trying To Avoid All Liability.
New York, Nov. 2-Receivers of this city who were forced to accept express shipments are still holding the bag for any claims for damage on such shipments. This is particularly true of the Adams Express Co. which went out of business in June, 1918,
and which ever since has stalled along and which ever since has stalled along
claimants with one excuse and then claimants with one excuse and then
another, always failing to pay the claims. This, too, in the face of the ruling of the Interstate Commerce Commission in a suit brought by the National Industrial Traffic League against the American Railway Express Co. and the Director General in which it was held that the uniform express receipt was,
That part of the express receipts that no claims can be filed for damages against the express company unless made within twe years and one day from the time of the delivery of the commodity for which damage is claimed. The headquarters of the Adams Express Co. is at 52 Broad-
way, and there are a number of suits for damages against it.
In a recent bulletin issued by the Fruit and Vegetable Shippers' Association this matter is taken up and discussed. This bulletin says its coun-
cil has rendered the following decil has
cision:
"It is now possible for a complainant to bring suit, although the two years and one day has elapsed, by alleging that the two-year and one day clause is inapplicable because unlaw ful. This allegation may be made by the complainant in its declaration bringing the suit, or it may be pleaded in rebuttal to any defense of the express companies that may set up that the claim is barred by the statute of limitations. When a shipper has what is a valid claim and of sufficient importance to bring suit, I would advise the bringing of the suit, although the two years and one day has elapsed. The principau matters to be de-
termined by the shippers are: Is the termined by the shippers are: Is the the expense of litigation and is the evidence forthcoming to show liability on the part of the express company?
pany? Following this quotation the bulletin reproduces a mimeographed letter from the Law Department of the lows:
"The Adams Express Co., having
"Thed 1918 . retired from business June 30 , 1918 , has closed its claim department with on which, under the limitations of the uniform express receipt, its legal liability expired two years and one day from a reasonable time for delivery if not delivered.
"It is not, therefore, in a position to consider or reopen any loss and damage claims on account of shipments moving prior to single exception of claims for C. O.D. shipments in which the goods arrived at destination and were received by the consignee and the Adams Express D . and failed to remit; or being properly advised of the forwarding of the erly advised of C. O. D. delivered the shipment without collecting the C. O. shipment without collecting the Such claims will still be consider-
D. Sut ed by the minimum force which the Adams Express Company has reAdams Express Company has rethese claims, on which no limitation will run."
will runmenting upon this letter the bulletin says:

This letter speaks for itself. The Adams Express Co. has delayed incalled for duplicate papers, made promises of settlement, assured claimpromises of settlement, assured claimants it would not take advantage of
the two years and one day provision and resorted to every possible device to delay settlements, and the moment the two years and one day expired
it notified claimants that their claims would receive no further consideration. It completely ignores the decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission holding that the limitations of the uniform express receipt was unreasonable and unduly preju-
diced ( 58 ICC 304 ). It will still condiced ( 58 ICC 304). It will still con-
descend to discuss with claimants C descend to discuss with claimants C will settle for the money it has colwill settle for the money it has collected for claimants, and which be longs to claimants but which during all those years it has converted to its own use.
"Where claimants have claims large enough to warrant suit, our Counsel advises that suits should be brought against the Adams Express Co., wherever service can be had. There are
some cases now pending in New York some cases now pending in New York against the Adams Express Co., the bearing upon future cases."
Retail Dealers Up Against Unfair Competition.
Cadillac, Nov, ${ }^{2}$-Retail business is
facing a new problem in the form of facing a new problem in the form of
farmers associations. One of these is
called the called the Potato Growers Exchange,
claiming a membership of 16,000 and being added to at a very rapid rate. publication that is sent to the members in the current issue of which it gives expression to the thought that impells
them to use every means possible to them to use every means possible to
protect their business. The article is
headed "The Farmers' Position" and
says in part: "The Farmers' Position" and .We cannot get away from the im-
pelling conviction that it has been the custom of the Government, as of business men and capitalists generally, to discrim-
mate against the farmer. We wish to inate against the farmer. We wish to see the farmer make a continued success
of his co-operative propaganda and that he may establish and engraft upon business policy of all alike, from the Govern-
ment to the artisan, his slogan Produc ment to the artisan, his slogan Produc-
tion cost plus a reasonable profit for his toil.
There should be absolutely no specu-
lation in the necessaries of life. We hope that the time is forever past when greedy
that
speculators speculators can manipulate either the demand or the supply. If the consumer
would have the benerit of the low prices would have the benenit of the low prices
which the farmer has been obliged to Which the farmer has been obliged to
accept for his produce he (the farmer)
might be content; but when the might be content; but when the consum-
er has to pay the dealer, the non-pro-
ducer whose ducer whose toil produces no sweat, a price wholly inconsistent with the deal-
ers cost is it any wonder that Mr. Farmer became dissatisfied? It is the abuse
of conditions that destroy them, and inof conditions that destroy them, and in-
augurates reform. Co-operation is the
child of necessity augurates reform. Co-operation is the
child of necessity and the basic cause for its phenomenal strides during the last
two years has been the high cost of distwo years has been the high cost of dis-
tribution." It further asks, "How farmers can ex-
pect to get ahead when a swarm on pect to get ahead when a swarm of
speculators and industrial thieves set, an
arbitrary price on arbitrary price on all they produce?",
The foregoing quotations only serve show the spirit that is being engendered show the spirit that is being engendered standing the fact that the Attorney Gen-
eral in his investigation into the H. C. of eral in his investigation into
L. has this to say in part:
..We found in the milk business that farmers throughout the State were obliged to and did organize for the purpose
of obtaining a fair price for their product and we found that in a great many instances they met and from time to time tixed the price on milk or of milk. Now, technically, under the laws as they
are on our books to-day that would be a violation of the act." the farmers get
In face of this fact ther In face of this fact the farmers get
their claw in the public treasury for the purpose of paying a County Agent devotes his time to their interests. appear to be any reduction in prices beendeavored to eliminate the middleman, the only difference seems to be diverting a portion of the middleman's living into the pockets of the farmers in the shape
of profits. It is a law of nature that we
are all entitled to a living and are all entitled to a living and no man living by transforming it into profits for himself. This is particularly true as applied to farmers, since farmers as a class tax and little if any special tax normal Retailers, the farmers are advocating co-operative stores, which is only another link in the chain of "no advantage to the
consumer," but are we going to assume a "holier than thou," attitude and permit them to establish their stores in the cities
and towns that we as retailers pay 50 and cent. of the taxes to support, or are
per cent
we going to, by organization, devise ways we going to, by organization, devise ways and means to counteract this propaganda
that is not only branding us as profiteers through the public press, but that is aiming deadly blows at one of the most anof passing out to the ultimate consumer of passing out to the ultimate consumer
the necessaries of life in surh a way as enables him to live, and in many instances without the humiliation of beThe mayor of the village of River


#### Abstract

Rouge in a letter written to the Cadillac Evening News, characterizes men engaged in our line, as "profiteering middlemen and retailers," yet had he known, as a person qualified to be mayor should of the taxes spent in his burg per cent. direction is paid by the men whom he publically refers to as profiteers. These are only samples of the sort of slander that is being constantly spread t. at has the effect of arousing ciass feel- ing and which should be classed as "red ing and which should be classed as "red should be made to answer to proper authorities, but as such stuff is being authorities, but as such stuff is being passed out continually, permit me to suggest to you as retailers that action be taken in the courts to make some of


In Two
One Hundred Per Cent. Gain In Two Years.
Kalamazoo, Nov. 2-Perhaps you might be interested to know that cial Travelers of America, has made a gain in membership of 100 per cent in the last two years and is now preparing for a still greater gain and "more for your money." Like most councils, we have been combining our social and business meetings, to the detriment of both. We have now secured more spacious quarters in Odd Fellows Temple for two nights each month-second and fourth Saturdays -and under the leadership of $G$. E Ranney, S. C., with a fine bunch fill ing the chairs, we will be able to give our ritualistic work a better setting and our entertainment committee full desires. The fourth Saturday in every month will be ladies' night. All U. T. C.'s are invited. We started our socials Oct. 23 with a rush-games, dancing and feed, Halloween decorations, good crowd and a general good time. Our Grand Sentinel, George E. Kelly, presented a newly organized "Comedy Four" as the scum of our Council, but afterward explained that he intended to say cream. They certainly must have been old timers, but as they appeared en masque, we cannot give you the personnel. They gave a unique entertainment of jokes quids and finished with their original topical song entitled

## "We're all one family

In the U. C. T.'
Just now we are preparing a float for the armistice day parade and expect to make a proper showing. Our foat has been assigned a prominent place in the parade and we expect to tomobiles, filled with U, C Torty auwives and kiddies. We find that busi ness men, as well as our civic managers, realize the great force wleided by the U. C. T. in personal contact advertising and that we are the top notch boosters for our city. Boys drop up and see us. J. O. King.

It is a wise merchant who does his best to iron out the differences among his employes so as to get them to developing team work.


## TheCarnation Family-Grandmother

This fine old lady is one of the best known members of the Carnation Family.
She is Grandmother, famous for her pies and gingerbread, queen of all cooks and an ardent supporter of Carnation Milk.

The wonderful Carnation Family series of advertisements being followed by millions of readers of the leading national magazines, your best customers among them.
Link your place of business with this advertising by clipping the
advertisements as they appear in The Saturday Evening Post and other publications, displaying them prominently in your windows or in your store.
Let your customers know that you are the Carnation Milkman. It will mean increased sales for you.
Ask our representative or write direct to us for Carnation advertising material and selling helps. Address the Carnation Milk Products Company, 1133 Consumers Bldg., Chicago, or 1133 Stuart Bldg., Seattle.

## Remember, your jobber can supply you

## Carnation <br> .

## Things Have Changed

With the return of normal conditions of supply, your customers are becoming more critical. They want full value for their money.

During the unusual period we have passed through our buyers have been careful to continue our policy of buying supplies on tested and proven lines of exceptional worth, and to-day these lines of GOOD GOODS are more valuable to us and to you than ever before.

We think it will be of interest to you and to your customers who buy our GOOD GOODS that you supply, to know that the volume of our business enables us to use experts in selecting GOOD GOODS; as, for instance, our spices, which we selected after an independent chemist of National repute had analyzed samples of spices from the leading manufacturers. His independent test told us which were best, and these are now packed in Quaker cartons.

The same standard of superiority is made to apply to all of our other products, as you who handle our coffees, teas, our American Eagle Flour and other Quaker and Nedrow products know.

Remember, GOOD GOODS and GOOD SERVICE, with fair prices are what must draw the trade in the future.

## Worden Grocer Company Grand Rapids-Kalamazoo-Lansing

The Prompt Shippers.


Movement of Merchants
Maple Rapids-Edgar Frisbie has engaged in the meat business.
Rives Junction-V. E. Stanley succeeds G. W. Hazen in the drug business.
Swartz Creek-The Swartz Creek Grain Co. has removed its offices to Gaines.

Owosso - Aitken-Wever sucteeds Charles Lawrence in the hardware business.
Ionia-N. J. Spaulding succeeds Spaulding \& Powell in the hardware business.
Hamilton-The F. B. Travis Co. succeeds H. J. Lampen in the hardware business.
Detroit-The H. P. Co., dealer in automobile parts, has removed its business to Midland.
Otsego-The First State Savings Bank has increased its capital stock fom $\$ 30,000$ to $\$ 35,000$.
Kent City-The Kent City State Bank has increased its capital stock from $\$ 20,000$ to $\$ 30,000$.
Hemlock-The Hemlock Elevator Co. has increased its capital stock from $\$ 36,000$ to $\$ 100,000$.

Morrice-A. H. McCoy has removed his grocery stock to Bancroft and will continue the business.
Iron Mountain-The American Security Bank has been incorporated with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 100,000$.
Coral-Charles Will has sold his hardware stock to R. S. Jennings, of Howard City, who will continue the business.
Maple Rapicis The First State 3ank of Maple Rapids has been incorporated with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 20,000$.
Maple Rapids-The First State Bank of Maple Rapids succeeds the private banking business of Hewitt \& Groom. It has a capitalization of $\$ 20,000$.

Jackson-George Rupert \& Son have engaged in the grocery business at 559 North Pleasant street. The W. R. Spencer Grocer Co. furnished the stock.
Eaton Rapids-Wilbur Fowler has sold his plumbing stock and equipment to Minnie \& Ramsey, who will continue the business in connection with their hardware store.
Isthpeming-F. E. Moore has tender ed his resignation as manager of Sellvood's dry goods store, and will iave shortly with his family for his former home in Indiana. He has been a resident of the city for over a year. being employed first at the Skud store and for the past several months at Sellwood's. Roy Matthews will again assume charge of the dry goods department.

Fremont-Cornell Pikaart has sold his interest in the Pikaart \& Van Oss Co. stock of general merchandise to Frank Van Oss, of Jamestown and the business will be continued under the style of Van Oss Bros.
Muskegon-The Packing House Market Co. has been incorporated to buy and sell meats at wholesale and retail, with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 10,000, \$ 7,500$ of which has been subscribed and paid in in cash.
Detroit-Harry Williams, wholesale produce dealer at Howell, has formed a copartnership with Lester J. Garlock, commission produce dealer, under the style of Garlock \& Williams, to succeed L. J. Garlock \& Co.
Detroit-The Garlock-Williams Co. has been incorporated to deal in poultry, eggs, and all farm products, with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 6,000$, all of which has been subscribed, $\$ 3$,000 paid in in cash and $\$ 1,000$ in property.
Bay City-The Fletcher Auto Sales Co. has merged its business into a stock company under the same style, with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 100,000$, all of which has been subscribed and $\$ 55,000$ paid in in property
Gobleville-Meyer Bros., dealers in drugs, groceries, crockery, etc., renew their subscription to the Tradesman and say "We cannot get along very well without it. I believe we have taken it from the very first issue.'

Jackson-The Evans Coal Co, has been incorporated to deal in coal, coke, wood, etc., with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 50,000$, of which amount $\$ 31,100$ has been subscribed, $\$ 100$ paid in in cash and $\$ 7,000$ in property
Marquette-T. E. Bissell \& Son has been incorporated to deal in automobiles, tractors, motor trucks, parts and supplies, with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 25,000$, of which amount $\$ 16,000$ has been subscribed, $\$ 4,000$ paid in in cash and $\$ 12,000$ in property.
Whitehall-H. E. Carleton has merged his garage and automobile supplies business into a stock company under the style of the Pike Garage, with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 10,000$, of which amount $\$ 5$, 000 has been subscribed and $\$ 3,850$ paid in in property

Albion-Two young men clubbed George Fisher, who conducts a small grocery on the outskirts of the city, when they called him to the store Monday night to sell them cigarettes When cries of the man aroused neighbors, the assailants made their escape without securing any money. Fisher was stunned, but escaped serious wounds.

Bellevue - David C. Clerke of Adrian, has purchased the property of the bankrupt Sanitary Bakery Co. and will open it for business as soon as the store building has been remodeled, new machinery installed, etc. A lunch room will be opened in connection with the bakery and the business will be conducted under the style of Clarke's Quality Bakery \& Lunch Room.
Detroit-The plan to double the capital of the Detroit Trust Company, making the capitalization $\$ 2$,000,000 , has been approved by the stockholders. This makes the company the leader among the State's trust companies as to capital stock. Present stockholders have the privilege of subscribing for one share of the new stock at par for every share of the old stock until December 1 .

## Manufacturing Matters.

Detroit-The Presto Chemical Co. has increased its capital stock from $\$ 10,000$ to $\$ 25,000$.
Detroit-The Hardened Steel Products Co. has increased its capital stock from $\$ 50,000$ to $\$ 100,000$.

Saginaw - The Sommers Bros. Match Co. has changed its name to the Sommers Bros. Manufacturing Co.
Kalamazoo-The Kalamazoo Railway Supply Co. has increased. its capital stock from $\$ 300,000$ to $\$ 600$,000.

Port Huron-The Port Huron Sulphite \& Paper Co. has increased its capital stock from $\$ 500,000$ to $\$ 1,050$,000.

Fowler-A. A. Bertram, who - recently purchased the Fowler creamery of Peter Edinger, has taken possession.
Detroit-The International Corn Products Corporation has increased its capital stock from $\$ 100,000$ to $\$ 300,000$.
Pontiac-The Pontiac Lawn Mower
has increased its capital stock from $\$ 50,000$ to $\$ 200,000$ and changed its name to the Moto-Mower Co.
Detroit-The Electric Welding \& Equipment Co. has been incorporated with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 16,000, \$ 8,500$ of which has been subscribed and paid in in cash.
Laurium - The Stiglich Knitting Co., has turned its attention to waste lumber and has begun negotiations for a paint brush handle factory which will employ about fifty men.
Detroit-The D. \& G. Candy Manufacturing Co. has been incorporated with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 1,000$, all of which has been subscribed and paid in in cash.
Jackson-The Continental Garage Tool Co. has been incorporated with an authorized capital stock of $\$ 50$, 000 , of which amount $\$ 25,200$ has beea subscribed and $\$ 10,200$ paid in in cash.
Ontonagon-Negotiations are on between the Northern Fiber Co., of Green Bay, and city officials and land owners of Ontonagon for the selection of a site in that district for a pulp mill. Work on the erection of the mill is expected to start immediately The mill will be capable of turning out fifty tons of soda pulp a day and will employ from sixty to seventyfive men at the start.

Perry-The Perry Glove and Mit en Co. entertained their employes at dinner last Friday. Chicken pie, salads, buns, pickles, cake and ice cream were served. Covers were laid for seventy-three.
Sault Ste. Marie-A branch of the I. R. DuRoy Handle Co., of Park Lake, has been located at this place and a factory building $160 \times 50$ feet will be erected at once. The concern pects to start with about a hundred men.
Marquette - Paveglic Bras. hav merged their marble and granite business into a stock company under the style of the Pavegitic Granite \& Marbl Co., with an authorized capital stoc of $\$ 80,000$, of which amount $\$ 40,50$ has been subscribed, $\$ 5,000$ paid cash and $\$ 28,000$ in property.
Chelsea-The Central Fiber Prod uct Co. is a new enterprise which has started production in Chelsea. One of the warehouses of the Holmes Company has been equipped as a fac tory. The concern will make a lin of cord for heavy wrapping paper used in construction of furniture al in upholstering articles.
Ishpeming-A branch of the Ma ion Toy Works, of Marion, Ohio, already installing equipment at th place preparatory to an early con mencement of operation. The plant will turn out all kinds of small and will draw its raw material from the various sawmills operating throughout the Marquette and Ishpeming districts.
Crystal Falls-The new branch fa tory of the American Shoe Last at this place, will be the largest o kind in the country. Its timber quirements will be $4,000,000$ fe year. At this factory the timber will be cut into blocks and dried and then shipped to the company's finishing plants. It is expected that half of the factory building, ten kilns and the hot pond will be in before snow flies. Maple is used almost exclusively the manufacture of the lasts.
Detroit-W. D. Biggers, of Detroit was elected President of the Am can Hardware Manufacturers sociation at its annual meeting in lantic City last week. Mr. Biggers who is Secretary and general manager of the Continental Co., manufacturers of screen doors and window screens, with factories in several states, is a director of the Detroit Board of Commerce, and until recently was President of the Rotary Club. He succeeds Frederick H. Payne, of Greenfield, Mass.

John M. Amstutz \& Son, conduct ing a grocery and bakery at Shelby writes the Tradesman as follows: "We have always had the Tradesman and consider it the best trade paper out. All market changes can be found quicker and are more reliable than some wholesale houses quote. Wishing you the very best of success as your success is the upkeep and life of the Tradesman."
A. T. Montgomery, produce dealer at 559 Michigan avenue, is succeeded by the Michigan Street Produce Co.

Don't let your idea that "Business tesy and politeness out of your mind. is business" drive the thought of cour-


## Essential Features of the Grocery Staples.

It is well to remind retailers that freezable articles should be ordered now, especially as the slow rate of speed in unloading potatoes, and other causes, are reducing the supply efrigerator cars for use in transporting other kinds of winter perishable supplies. Bottled goods, inks, liquid glue, pastes and mucilage, and similar merchandise will be likely to have a hard time getting through rapidly and in good condition after the cold really comes.
Thanksgiving season goods are the kind to order now in preparation for the season which is at hand, also such lines of medicines for coughs and colds that general merchants handle. It is unnecessary to enumerate the merchandise that is usually on call for Thanksgiving table use.
The Christmas holidays are not so far off that a grocer may settle back and overlook ordering until it is too late to get the goods by ordinary freight. One line to keep in mind is Christmas decorations for the merchant's own use and for his trade. Christmas decorations for the store and the windows are a timely thing to remember in ordering. Decorative crepe paper is going to be in demand this season for this work. This paper is to be had in assortments.
Paper trade journals seem to find nothing to warrant any belief that wrapping paper is going to be much cheaper and there is prospect it is to be scarcer. Advertising is going to make a bigger demand, which naturally will affect prices on reduced stocks that are on hand or under manufacture.

It is possible the retailer is well aware of the fact that in buying less than case lots of goods, or broken packages of commodities, that the expense is undoubtedly higher, because of the cost of repacking, labor and the containers and packing materials. This does not mean that the retailer is wise in saving this extra cost by buying more goods than he wants, but that where cases contain two dozen, for instance of a salable and staple stuff, if he buys a dozen or 18 bottles, say catsup, that sort of an order necessitates repacking at the wholesale house. This is just a thought in passing that there are angles where the retailer can save against his profits in selling to his customers.
Sugar-Local jobbers have reduced the price of granulated to $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, due to a weaker market on the Atlantic seaboard for both raw and refined.

Tea-Business conditions in general are such that it is practically im-
possible to forsee the future trend of the market for any commodity. There is no question, however, that some kinds of tea have now reached a low point below which in all reason they should not go. Ceylons of all descriptions, for example, are now being sold at prices not reached for almost fifteen years, and are selling much under the cost of production. This has undoubtedly had an effect upon all other kinds of black tea, and even green tea has acted in sympathy to a considerable extent. We do not hesitate to express the belief, however, that there will be a reaction from this present unnecessarily low bas:s. Unfortunately it will then be too late for buyers to avail themselves of the opportunity which now exists of buying tea on an exceptionally low and favorable basis. We cannot but feel that purchases made at the present time will show buyers a profit in the near future. The month of October on the whole, has been less active than the month of September, although occasional fair sized blocks of teas have been placed some at very cheap prices. There seems to be quite a general feeling in the trade that the market will now remain on a fairly steady basis until stocks are again normal and it is thought this will be brought about by the tea producing countries curtailing growth and manufacture.
Canned Fruits-The market for several weeks has shown a decided apathy as regards fruits and jams. Local resales have been limited in the new packs and no special mention of any one comzodity is warranted. A further Coast buying has developed, making the market from top to bottom flat so far as California packs are concerned. Old goods on spot are being cleared up, but it is rather uphill work, as quálity in most instances is lacking, while the buyer is not anxious to take on the offerings now available. Pineapple is about steady in tone at opening prices on the better grades or $5 @ 71 / 2$ per cent. over in some instances. Apples rule easy, and are in small demand. Early contracts took care of many anticipated needs, while buyers now are inclined to postpone action as regards filling their future requirements.

Canned Vegetables - Tomatoes have sagged to the low point of the season. No. 2s have been offered as low as $671 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ factory and No. 3s at $\$ 1.05$. These goods were chiefly the stocks of the smaller canners. The larger factors who have recognized brands have sold their packs at $\$ 1.10$ @1.15 for No. 3s and 75@80c for No. 2 s . Most buyers prefer to take goods on spot to those in the country. Cal-
ifornia tomatoes were sold to some extent on early contracts, but of late there has been little or no buying. Corn has reached the point in declines where more attention is being paid to Southern and Middle Western standards. Maine style Southern standards have been quoted down to 85 c factory, with extra standards at 95 c . It would appear that these prices were alluring enough to create a lesaltiy consuming demand when a While the movement is heavier, the turnover of stecks has not been sufficiest to remove the undertone of
wealners. Peas were held at fairly level prices all week. There is no he:nv movement in any pack, but
small routine ordets are being placed from day to day for the various grad.s. Southern pumpkin has been more active, while sweet potatoes are also being pushed.
Canned Fish - Salmon passed through another dull week. Domestic trade channels have not broadened, but there has been some export enquiry for pinks, which, however. has not yet developed into sales. Red Alaska has been steady on spot, but sales are mainly in small blocks out of local stocks. Medium red was neglected all week, while pinks were offered at low and irregular values for old goods. There is no demand at present for any grade except for current use, and that outlet is re stricted. Maine sardines also continue easy and favor the buyer. As in all other canned foods, there is little disposition to buy ahead to any extent and there is not enough ex port demand to add tone to the situation. Although the packing season is about over, the buyer has no fear a shortage even though the year pack was light. Other types of sar dines are also selling in a routine way. Tuna fish lacks special feature, as it is salable out of local warehouse stocks in a small way.
Dried Fruits-In spot prunes old stocks are still lower than new packs and when carefully selected offer a better bargain in the eyes of the jobber. As the holders of 1919 fruit are anxious to clean up, the market favors the buyer and it is difficult to quote representative prices on CaliforniaOregon stocks, as the disposition of the seller as to the extent he will go in shading values is a prominent factor in the situation. New crop California prunes so far this season have met with a small outlet. The prune trade is in hopes that the controversy over the opening prices on California prunes made by the associations will soon be settled, so that that distributing feature of the market will be eliminated. It is hoped that this will be accomplished without a long drawn out legal battle. Developments are expected shortly as officials of the association are here. Raisins rule steady under the influence of a fair demand for package and loose varieties. In the former fractional advances over opening prices are demanded on the Coast for Thompsons. Foreign raisins have sold well in the beverage making types. Apricots are about steady in tone on the better grades, Fancy and extra choice Blenheims are in the best position. Peaches are un-
changed, but the demand lacked force and no large blocks were sold. Pears are at a standstill.
Molasses-Old crop stocks are still quite heavy, but prices are firmly maintained by the large distributors pending the coming in of the new sugar Syrups-The trade continues Sugar Syrups-The trade continues
buy sparingly, ignoring hints of the possibility of obtaining concessions on larger orders. Rice-Efforts at stabilization of prices have been fairly successful in e South, but stocks are so heavy as
put a severe strain on the resources the large factors.
Condensed Milk-Condensed milk. as to prices and general market conditions, is the same several weeks, Buying support of any consequence is lacking and an While the prospects of material increase in the present stocks are remote, because of the light make at
present, the supplies have not been

## ign or domestic trade will tal.e hold.

Both outlets are narrow and disap-

## Cooler Weaker Needed.

Florida's citrus crop is in heavy de-
mand from markets all over the counwarm weather the coloring of the iruit is going forward slowly, concording to someof the largest Southern Florida shippers. One of these authorities at Tampa, in discussing the situation, estimated that the combined orange and grapefruit yields this season would total $13,500,000$ boxes, of
which $5,000,000$ will be grapefruit and $8,500,000$ oranges.
A considerable part of the Florida grapefruit has not fully matured and is very slow in coloring, and reports from the markets indicate an accumulation on account of the poor color and eating qualities as a result of moving the fruit too sson. This conthe markets to slightly ease off except for more desirable and better matured

The general outlook for market conditions is very favorable, it is said, yet the ripening of the fruit depends on weather conditions, and if there is sufficient cool weather shortly to color and sweeten it there is every expectaments in Northern markets with satisfactory prices will exist. At the present and, as near as can markets are in splendid shape to take care of the Florida citrus crop very freely and to absorb liberal shipments as the fruit begins to extensively color and mature in good shape.
When you see a good idea for helping business, if you can not make immediate use of it, save it, but don't save it, so long that it will be old enough to scrap when you get ready to use it.

When you have to-day's work done. don't sit down and waste an hour of valuable time; go at to-morrow's job. It is always an advantage to keep a little ahead of the game.

LURE OF THE WILD.
The Adventures of Two Old-Time
 few have in mind one of my friends whose
been spation days each summer have
beame man tent hat campingent in a one man thit carried nicer all have his
oar row
boat. On he big lake if the wind was
off shore, he had heaps of the


Review of Trade and Industrial Field. In the industrial field the news is decidedly conflicting. On the one hand the two biggest steel manufacturing corporations put out quarterly statements of good earnings and an oil company declared a stock dividend of $\$ 150,000,000$. From the other end comes the announcement of dividends passed, poor earnings by a number of companies and further reductions of prices in steel and copper
The United States Steel Corporation in its quarterly statement showed net earnings in excess of $\$ 48,000,000$, or about $\$ 5,000,000$ higher than those of the preceding quarter. The Bethlehem Steel Corporation declared its regular dividends, and its President, Eugene. G. Grace, gave out a statement running over with optimism regarding the future of the steel industry. The Standard Oil Company o Indiana announced a stock dividend of 150 per cent., amounting in value, it was estimated, to nearly $\$ 150,000,000$.
Adverse industrial news are shown in the quarterly statements of the American Hide and Leather Company and the Central Leather Company, both of which discloses large deficits for their third quarter operations. The American Hide and Leath er Company reports a deficit of $\$ 7$, 556,022 , while the Central Leather Company's balance on the Wrong side amounts to $\$ 1,392,573$. The Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Company made public its income account for the same quarter, and this shows a surplus of only $\$ 355,310$, or 62 cents, a share on the stock, as compared with $\$ 705,779$, or $\$ 2.02$ a share, in the preceding quarter.

Two corporations, the Savage Arms Corporation and the Coca-Cola Company, are compelled to pass the divi-
dends, which were due for declaration this week. The latter company's directors announced that earnings during the current year had been very good but that the pressing financial needs of the company occasioned by the stocking up at high price with a large amount of sugar made conser vation of the company's resources advisable at this time. The Savage Arms Corporation, however, shows a heavy deficit for its third quarter's operations, as compared with a surplus in the preceding quarter, and this, together with the uncertainty in business, is given as the reason for passing both the common and the second preferred dividends.
Prices continued to show declines, with the most important drops reported from the steel and copper industries. In the former, coke yielded $\$ 4$ a ton, making the total break in the last two weeks $\$ 6$ a ton. Pig iron, too, is quoted from $\$ 2$ to $\$ 3$ lower than in the preceding week. The copper market has been reported during the week as very meagre from the seller's standpoint, and as late as Friday huge sales of the red metal were reported as low as 15 cents per pound, which compares with previous quotations around 20 cents, and with 26 cents, the price fixed during the

New financing, either actually arranged for or under discussion by New York bankers, aggregating in all $\$ 187,400,000$, was a principal topic in Wall Street. Nearly half of that amount was concluded during the week and new securities representing the loans are offered for subscription. The remainder-approximately $\$ 115$, 000,000 - is known to have been under discussion, virtually all of it representing the financial needs of South American countries and European cities. Of the grand total of financ ing either concluded or discussed $\$ 9$, 650,000 was State financing, $\$ 90,000$, 000 foreign government financing, $\$ 71,000,000$ for industrial corporations and $\$ 16,750,000$ for public utilities.

Grain traders are quite confident that the farmers' strike for $\$ 3$ whea will prove a failure, although it is still early to find any indications of the result in Chicago receipts. They point out that it is too local, and that bankers are refusing to extend credit to farmers to hold their grains. The strike was called by the National Wheat Growers' Association, an organization which does not market bushel of wheat. Farmers are not entirely behind this movement, as advices from the West declare that it

## is being vigorously opposed

## Live Notes From a Live Town.

 ago an organization was born in thi ago an organization was born in this part of the terrestial hemisphere to be Shiawassee Automobile Club the concentrated aspiration ile Club, the conrender assistance for the construction and betterment of good roads and the building of maps for the guidance of building of maps for the guidance of chauffeurs of fords and regular cars. The slogan is safety first and now one Of its most enthusiastic members George Cosgrove, comes to the front lose their reckoning, that each village lose their reckoning, that each village clock at the entrance of each a town ment designating the time being tued by the citizens and ine being used particular locality. The reason ofthis suggestion came from the fact that some of these ford drivers hav already broken the record of Ty Cobb having left Flint for Owosso, a dis ance of twenty-six miles, and arriv ing here several minutes before they started, which, to say the least, omewhat confusing.
Talk about merchandising in a small town, C. A. Baker, of Detroit, and nine day sale for the D. M. Christ an Co., of Owosso. The store build ing will accomodate 5,000 patrons a one time and the first four days it has been literally filled to capacity. Two hundred clerks are employed and busy. This is one of the usual sale that this firm conducts annually, but this one has the others way back the procession. No stale out-of-date high price stuff on our shelves next

Geo. Maxted, senior member of th cessfully at New Haven Center, and months ago purchased the sto general merchandise of Stonebroo Bros., at Brice, will make one mor jow. He will move his entire stock to Middleton next week. Mr. Maxte has been successful as a merchant it every venture and the contemplate winner. John A. Nimmo has purchased the R. M. Hurd, at Sethton, added ne goods and opened a neat little ge eral store. This has for many year been a good point for a country stor succeed is without a Nimmo wil old boy, you cannot lose on your new venture. Honest Groceryman. It is an easy matter to drop into way of making the regular newspaper advertisement a trite affair possessing writing the advertising.

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DECLARES PRICE OF
WHEAT WARRANTS
IMMEDIATE BUYING Based on inquiry and investigation In American and foreign markets, F. a Lewellyn, of Grand Rapids, isssices of agricultural products, in which he declared the price of wheat warranted immediate purchase, and that it is now safe to buy and hold.
Mr. Lewellyn asserted that farmers had practically stopped marketing grain and that a similar halt wound if prices were not soon advanced. Because of the unprecedented expense of labor, fertilizer and machinery, present price levels look cheaper than ever before to the producer, he stated.
Bean raisers of this state have been favored by the increase in freight rates, because it eliminates competidion of Japanese growers; oriental beans cannot be imported to the Pacific coast and shipped across the continent at a profit.
Mr . Lewellyn advises all to lay in their winter supply of clover and timothy for the spring, as Europe is about to buy heavily. Because hay and other feeds are at low levels, it is safe to lay in these commodities, too, Mr. Lewellyn states.

## Flour Question

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RESULT OF THE ELECTION.
The Tradesman has made no refer ence to the political campaign which has disrupted the country during the past five months. Now that it is ended and the American people have registered their verdict, the Tradesman feels that it can review the situation without being charged with bias or partisanship.
Mr. Cox has suffered the most severe rebuke any major candidate ever received at the polls, because he deserved it. He proved himself utterly lacking in all the elements which go to make up a successid candid:t=honesty, candor, truthfulness, poise, broadness of vision. His ridiculous assertion regarding the size of the campaign fund raised by the opposition proved to be utterly without foundation, yet he persisted in repeating his charges-gradually reducing the sum from $\$ 150,000,000$ to $\$ 15$,000,000 -knowing that he was uttering a lie every time he expressed himself on the subject. The American people will not stand for untruthfulness in a candidate for the Presidency.
Mr. Cox was also doomed to defeat when he espoused the cause of the Wilson league and assumed the burdens of defending the Wilson administration, which embodied more mistakes and crimes against the American people than any other administration in history. Its unholy alliance with Gompers and his gang of plunderers and sluggers; its affiliation with freaks, cranks and socialists; its retention in office of men of admitted inferiority and criminality; its brutal treatment of the negro; its reckless expenditure of public money for purposes worse than useless-all these and a hundred other shortcomings render the Wilson administration a stench in the nostrils of all decent men and nourished a spirit of resentment which has not been in evidence since the days of the Civil War.

A part of this accumulation of resentments and dislike was inevitable. It is always visited upon a President who has been in office for two terms. Think what was said of President Grant in 1875 and 1876. Grover Cleveland has now become a sort of saint to Republicans-one of those dead Democratic saints whom they make use of to discredit living Democratic sinners-but from 1894 to 1896 there was no limit to the scorn and contumely which they poured upon him. The same thing happened to President Roosevelt in 1907-8. He was bitterly assailed by many of the very men who tore the language to tatters in abuse of President Wilson. Who is he that he should escape the malevolent treatment given to his most eminent predecessors?
No party can be in power for eight years without raising a crop of discontent. Year by year it recruits an opposing army of the disappointed, the slighted, the failed. A government cannot be operated without giving offense to some of its subjects; and the longer one man or party is in office the greater becomes the number bearing grudges and waiting for the day of vengeance. Even an autocrat like Bismarck, never responsible to universal suffrage or to the Reichs-
tag, could speak of the almost insupportable burden of "unappeasable hate" which his long continuance in office had heaped upon his back. The thing seems inherent in every form of rule and has to be endured by rulers with as much philosophy as they ca: muster.
In the 1920 campaign, however, the Republicans went far beyond the ordinary attacks upon an Administration at the end of its second term. They did not confine themselves to singling out governmental abuses and ringing the changes on the need of "a change." They put a personal enmity into their election appeals almost unexampled. All that was necessary to constitute a Republican in good and regular stancing this year was to hate Wilson. You may hate him for his personal qualities or his party policies; hate him because you are an Irishman, or a German, or an Italian, or a Greek, barbarian, Scythian, bond or free; but if for any reason you only hate him enough, hate him passionately and pitilessly, then you were eligible to join that grand Republican coalition of hatreds which was counted upon to produce a majority at the polls.
Pres:dent-elect Harding is confronted with no easy task. He has a man's job ahead of him. With eight years of bad government and unholy alliances behind him, it will be no easy task to rescue the ship of state from the shoals, into which it has been guided by incompetent and vainglorious mea. The Tradesman hopes for the best, but fears for the future.

THE DEPTH OF DEPRAVITY.
The action of the Adams Express Co. in repudiating damage claims the moment the two year limit expired, after resorting to every possible expedient to delay settlements, is in keeping with the disreputable methods of express companies generally. The old United States Express Co. pursued the methods of the pirate and the cut-throat in fighting the adjustment of claims, and the Adams Express Co. likewise pursued the same tactics in avoiding the payment of just obligations.

The correspondence from New York, published elsewhere in this week's paper, presents an array of facts which places the Adams Express Co. in the same class as Jesse James.
The Tradesman has made repeated appeals to Washington to remedy this evil, but any time thus employed was time wasted, because the Wilson administration never found time to do anything but play politics and find places for unnecessary and incompetent employes..

## THE DECLINE IN CORN.

Corn prices have declined to the lowest in four years. At the present level, based on 24 cents per bushel, freight, with husking, shelling, hauling, and grain dealers' charges, a dealer figures that corn in Western Nebraska is relatively cheaper than coal. In the early 90 s corn in $\mathrm{Ne}-$ braska sold around 8 to 11 cents per bushel and was burned for fuel, because farmers were unable to get enough money to buy coal.

THE EPIDEMIC OF WELCHING. Back of all the agitation about cancellations and enforcing unpopular contracts lies one fundamental fact which, viewed in its true significance, does not look half as revolutionary as mcst people believe. The prevailing trading unrest is not wholly a wicked scheme of buyers to "welch," but it does reflect a legitimate reaction from wartime lessons.
The spirit of the times-in whatever phase of the food trade one looksis to let George do it." That is the issue far more than paying or refusing to pay any stipulated price for goods. The stagnation in trade circles, the refusal of the grocers to buy even in the face of recession in price, rests chiefly on the one fact that the grocers have lately learned that it does not pay to speculate in staple foodstuffs. Even in the matter of sugar, most of the grocers did not load up for speculative considerations so much as they did in legitimate anticipation of their trade needs and the panicky fear that there was not going to be sugar enough to go around throughout the season.
This financial phase applies with equal force to other lines, and with striking accuracy to canned foods, where the changed attitude is likely to result in a permanent change of custom and ideals., In years past canners, for instance, have usually sold their futures as early as Februarymonths before the crops were planted, let alone grown or packed-and thereafter the jobber, aided by his banker, and the banker the canner, perhaps, carried the whole season's production. As everyone knows, it led to no end of welching at the end of the season-the buyer finding fanciful grounds for rejection if the market had declined, and the canner applying pro-rata clauses in sad abuse of the ethics of the case if it advanced.
This year the jobbers refused to buy futures and the canner had to produce and finance his production just as other business men have done. He is "George" and carries the stock until legitimate needs of the trade require the goods. All in all, once the new idea is absorbed it will probably be regarded as a more healthy plan than that which has prevailed heretofore. Temporarily, it is working out to the canner's discomfiture, but the passing of one full season will readjust things.
During the war the anti-hoarding regulations and the elimination of speculative rewards did much to establish this spot buying practice. More recently the high cost of money, at the time when the distributer has been wont to take aboard whatever the farmer and packer had produced, has led to an indisposition to buy. It may have produced stagnation temporarily, but in the long run it will be readjusted; for there is probably no great surplus of anything -not even sugar-by the end of the season. Temporarily, surpluses are in new hands.

As to sugar, the jobbers' commitments (if they were commitments) were made at a time of panicky fear
of famine. Everyone felt the same way about it, and it is hard to discover definitely just how much of a speculative, profiteering "nigger in the woodpile" there was. But the ac ceptance of deliveries comes at the worst possible time for the buyer to finance such large purchases, if they did not also involve an automatic loss of 10 cents or 12 cents on every pound. Therefore, there is not only the old-time disposition to welch on a slumped market, but actual inability to take and pay for the goods. And if sugar was taken in there would be no money for any of the other seasonal arrivals.

Much discussion is now bringing out forcibly the rather reassuring fact that most grocers are honest and willing to stand by their bargains, even if it does hurt. Wherever the refiners have been able to show genuine sales' agreements, coupled with a willingness to meet the buyer half way in the matter of accommodation and financing, there will probably be very little ultimate carcellation. Tbe cituation is nicely cleaned up with regard to sugar. On the issue of other lines it will probably turn out to be merely a shift of the burden of carrying stock during the season from the distributer to the buyer. And in both directions the final outcome will be for the betterment of the trade.

## THE TEXTILE MARKET.

No material change was noticeable during the past week in the dullness which has become rather chronic in the primary markets of the textiles. The feeling of unsettlement as to the prices of the raw materials continues. and the demand for finished products is slight and fitful. Buyers who have gone to market are still looking around instead of purchasing, and such price concessions as have been made have not met with the response that was expected. In St. Louis and some other centers, jobbers are pushing sales by means of cut prices, and are meeting with some encouragement from retailers. The latter, as a class, are by no means enthusiastic. The general public is still chary about buying, in many instances because they cannot afford to do much in this direction. In the Middle West the reduced prices for grain are a discouraging circumstance, while in the South those for cotton are having a similar effect. A general lack of confidence in the stability of present values and a general belief that they must come down further are outstanding features of the situation. All along the lines, from jobber to consumer, there is the impression that nothing can be lost by waiting, especially when credit conditions are considered. The weather has also been a factor in delaying purchases f a scas rable cha-acter. The continuance of the cold snap will help some. Otherwise, the hope will be that there may be a good holiday trade to make up for lessened seasonal autumn buying.

Accomodate the party wanting "change for a five" and perhaps part of that will be left in the store.

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Some Interesting Things About Shoes.
Written for the Tradesman.
The person who thinks footwear is a dull and uninteresting subject has another think coming.

Footwear is one of the most fascinating topics you can mention. The history of shoes and shoemaking is rich in human interest.

Artists, sculptors, philosophers, prophets, and writers, all have had occasion to observe and study contemporary footwear modes, and in their work we see (or read about) particular footwear creations, and learn something incidentally of the inner life of an age, nation, or individual, as the same is reflected in specific footwear modes.
Students of character who have specialized in the study of the feet, and in reading human traits in the way one walks, selects and cares for his shoes, etc., can look at a row of feet in the street car and give you a tolerably accurate reading of the types to which the feet respectively belong. Slovenliness, awkwardness, pride, cunning, generosity, extravagance, timidity, cowardice, sensuality, crime-and ever so many other mental qualities are unconsciously (but quite clearly) registered in the appearance of an individual's footwear, and in the manner of his walking in the same.

Shoes and Folk-lore.
In the traditions, beliefs and customs of the people, shoes have figured conspicuously in many ways.

One of the quaintest of these old customs is that of throwing an old shoe at the bride and groom, tying a pair of old shoes on the back of the carriage or limousine, or to the trunk handle, etc.
I dimly recall having read various explanations of the meaning or significance of this old custom, but I haven't now the remotest idea of what it is supposed to signify.

In the olden days a group of disciples were instructed by their Master to visit certain villages, towns and cities in the interests of a given campaign; and he said to them: "Whosoever will not receive you, when you go out of that city, shake off the dust from your feet for a testimony against them."
In those days, and in that country, the type of shoe worn by the common people was the wooden sandal attached to the feet by means of leather thongs.

Naturally they collected a good bit of dust when the roads were dry, or mud when the roads were wet.
The shaking of the dust from their feet had a certain symbolic significance.
We may not understand it very fully to-day, but doubtless the people of that distant day understood it well. Shoes and Tragedy
In the case of Pearl Brown, the unforgettable Cincinnati murder sensation of a quarter of a century ago, the girl's shoes furnished the first tangible clue It lead to the apprehension and subsequent hanging of Jackson and Walling, the youthful criminals who first wronged, and then muirdered, the girl.
In many other criminal cases shoes have led to positive identifications and supplied clues by means of which criminials could be traced and brought to justice.
But a case just the other day came to the writer's knowledge where a pair of shoes figured in a tragedy of another sort. They are leading to a divorce between a young man and his wife.

And it happened on this wise.
The husband of the young woman is suing for a divorce is a foreigner; and apparently a very high-tempered and unreasonable fellow.
An older sister of the young wife saw her on the street wearing a pair of most disreputable shoes. The upper leather was almost all to piecesripped, torn, and worn-out, with the lining showing in many places.

Immediately this sister said, "What on earth are you doing on the street with those things on your feet? You have a decent pair of shoes, why don't you wear them?'
Thereupon the younger sister began crying, and finally managed to tell her pitiful little story.
The young woman's husband had refused to let her wear the decent pair during week days; they were for Sunday wear exclusively.
The older sister was naturally indignant, and she and the girl's mother butted in immediately and expressed their opinion quite freely of anybody who is so mean and contemptible, and from the reports I have, there was a very exciting rumpus.
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## Even Shoestrings.

In these days of high prices and doubtful values, shoestrings have even come to have an importance.
Witness the following Parable of Safed the Sage.
"I went unto the shop of the man who selleth shoes.
"And I said unto him, sell unto me a pair of good shoestrings.
"And he said, I will sell unto thee a pair of shoestrings, but I will not promise to sell unto thee good ones. For the best of them are mighty poor these days, and most of them are rotten.
"And I said, these flat ones with metal tips I like not. Hast thou not some better ones?
"And he said, I have some round ones with rubber tips, and they cost a dime.
"And I bought a pair.
"Now of all the shoestrings that ever were made, these were the hardest and most slippery. And I tied them not once a day but it may have been forty times. And they slipped loose so that my feet slid to the front end of my shoes and grew tender and sore. And every morning I said, I will wear them this one day, and if they grow not better with the using, I will throw them away. But they grew no better. And I tried them another day. And I began to walk on the side of my foot to ease it where
was sore. And in so doing, I caught my foot on a certain day as I crossed the street, and stumbled and was well-nigh run down by a swift chariot that had no regard for the speed limit.
"And I went up unto my house, and cast aside the round, hard strings, and put in another pair that would stay tied. And I upbraided myself that I had endured for so long a time an evil that had as its only compensation of endurance the hope of getting value out of a pair of shoestrings that cost a dime
"Now it came to pass that I had occasion to use a box. And I went unto the attic and found a shoe box, made of pasteboard. And it was exactly what I wanted. And in it was tissue paper which had come wrapped about the shoes. And I removed the paper, and behold, in the box that I thought was empty, there were two pairs of new shoestrings, which I had bought with the new shoes in the good old days before the war, before shoestrings were rotten. And I rejoiced as one who findeth coin..
"Wherefore, search thine attic, and bring forth out of it all the unused resources that may minister to life, and use them. For of what use is it that thou walk with sore feet when there is a good new pair of pre-war shoestrings in the empty shoe box in thine attic?" Cid McKay.
Two More Cheap Swindling Schemes. Two more cheap swindling schemes have been brought to the attention of the Tradesman during the past week-the Neuola Manufacturing Co., of Chicago, and the Cleveland Mant facturing Co., of Cleveland, Ohio.
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in two weeks. The notes are in small denominations ( $\$ 25$ to $\$ 40$ ) and are made payable at intervals several months in advance, "so as to make it easy for the merchant to meet them," as the wily promotors of the swindle explained. The machines do not turn up, but in due time the notes will turn up in the hands of "innocent third parties" and will have to be paid, compromised or repudiated. No subscriber to the Tradesman has been victimized by this swindle. In no case has a subscriber to the Tradesman been approached by the rascally promotors of this nefarious scheme They know better. The victims of his species of rascality are confine to those merchants who insist the "cannot afford to take the Tradesman" or who are so wise in their own conceit that "no trade paper can tell them nothing about business." Naturally, the Tradesman is disposed to have little sympathy for either clas of merchants, because they are no credit to the mercantile fraternity and would add no strength to the sub-
cription list of any thoroughgoing trade journal.
The other swindle is cheap beyond measure. A man who gives his name as D. Blue is covering the State by utomobile, claiming to represent the Cleveland Manufacturing Co., which is purported to manufacture a gum machine. In consideration of the merchant purchasing gum to the amount of $\$ 6.50$ and paying cash down on the pot, he is promised the free use of gum machine, which is to be sent im by express as soon as shipping directions reach the factory at Cleveand. For some reason the shipping directions are very slow in reaching heir destination, because mer chant has yet received his machine, although several months have elapsed since he paid for a miscellaneous assortment of nondescript gum which proves to be an exceedingly slow eller, because it was sold not on the basis of merit, but because the merchant was promised a chromo with his purchase in the shape of a vending machine.

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Is the Price Decline Apprcaching an End?
During recent weeks signs have been accumulating that the present rapid downward movement in commodity prices may very shortly come to an end. Just as, a few months ago, prices were bid too high because supplies were underestimated, so now there is a possibility that they will fall too low, and that some prices have already fallen too low, through underestimation of demand. Any further declines in wholesale prices during the next few months are not unlikely to be offset by recoveries in other lines.
This, however, applies to wholesale rather than to retail prices. These have not come down to correspond with wholesale reductions. Retailers who have taken in stocks at the higher prices are reluctant to sell them for less than the expected profit, and are trying to hold off reductions save on goods bought at the reduced values. In some instances they even continue to offer at the old price goods which they have bought at reduced wholesale prices. Such a policy cannot long continue. It is possible that retailers in some lines may be able to maintain prices on goods bought at the higher levels until such goods are worked off, but until retail prices reflect approximately the decline already seen in wholesale prices, the present phase of readjustment will not have been completed.

Extent of the Decline.
The very extent of the break in wholesale prices up to this time is an indication that it has about run its course. One hund:ed and six articles at wholesale dropped 6 per cent. during September, the greatest fall for any single month yet recorded. From the first of May to the first of September the total decline in prices reached approximately 20 per cent. This is the most extensive decline in a period of only five months that his been recorded for at least a gene:ation. Wholesale prices are now at almest exactlly the same level as at this time three years ago. Leading agricultural products have suffared most of all. Cotton, from a price of $433 / 4$ cents in July, has fallen to half that figure. Corn is less than one-
half its high price in the early part of the year. Sugar has fallen to about one-third of its price a few months ago.
One of the leading causes of the price decline has undoubtedly been the inability of consumers to continue paying the high prices, combined with their feeling that prices were unreasonably high even when the could afford to pay. In view of this, it seems at first glance remarkable that
the drastic fall in prices has not stimulated buying. In manufacturing and merchandising lines demand is more hesitant than before. There is only hand-to-mouth purchasing. This is easier to explain from a purely psychologic standpoint than on ob jective economic grounds. In the belief that prices have still further to fall, a large number of consumers are holding off in all but their most immediate needs. Dealers take only as much as they must to keep going, as they do not want to have stocks on their hands that may shrink in value.
The failure of price reductions to bring an immediate increase in buying, therefore, is not only natural, but inevitable. A period of dullness and hesitancy always follows a period of sharply falling prices. Though sharp reductions have brought no influx in buying, wholesalers and manufacturers are now resisting further declines, on the ground that they would be senseless, and only frighten buyers the more. This position is quite defensible. It is all the more so in view of the decline which has already taken place. If precedent counts for anything, it may be pointed out that while prices have fallen more than 20 per cent. in the last six months, it took them twelve years to fall less than 50 per cent. to pre-war levels after the Napoleonic Wars. Two years after the Civil War, also, whe: prices had fallen 12 per cent. from 1865 to 1865 , a recovery followed the break, and prices did not reach a 50 per cent. decline from 1855 levels untt 11 more than ten years later.


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## The Money Market.

Despite the fall in prices, the lessening of commodity speculation, and the easing of the railroad freight congestion, bank loans have not only failed to fall in recent weeks, but have actually been expanding, and the volume of Federal Reserve notes is now the greatest ever in circulation. This has been due to three causes the protection of industry, the continued use of bank credit to finance our excess of exports, and the crop financing. The present state of industry temporarily increases the demand for funds rather than lessens it as producers, finding that their goods will not sell even at greatly reduced prices, ask for funds in order to carry them until they can be sold. Cotton and wheat farmers have been asking the Federal Reserve Board that credit be extended them so that they be not compelled to sell their crops at present prices, and so that they may hold the goods off the market until the previous prices are obtainable, al though they have no assurance of the return of such prices. The position of the Federal Reserve Board is that it is not the function of the banking system to attempt to control the course of prices, or to decide what is and what is not a fair price. It is a part of its function, however, to aid in the "orderly" or normal distribution of goods, and-in doing this it is just as harmful to the best interests of the nation as a whole to encourage a postponement of the sale of goods as it is to compel their immediate sale. As agriculture is the most essential industry in the country, it will continue to have first call upon credit, but always with due regard to the consumers of the country and to other producing interests.
During the present few weeks we are at the time of year that usually marks the crest of the expansion of credit to meet crop moving needs. As this declines from now on, as funds for the assistance of industry become less needed, as our excess of exports has shown a steady tendency to diminish, and as the prospect grows that this may soon in part be financed by long-term investment, the indications are that at the end of the present calendar year credit conditions will not be so stringent as they are to-day.

Our Loans Abroad.
In connection with the present discussion of the immediate future of our foreign trade, and its effect on our credit position among the nations of the world, it is not generally realized that the United States, with net loans of from $\$ 13,000,000,000$ to $\$ 15,000,000$,000 , has already surpassed Great Britain as the foremost of creditor nations.
The significance of this can only be fully appreciated by recalling the comparative position of Great Britain and the United States before the war Great Britain then held undisputed leadership as a world investor and creditor. Calculations of the amount of her holdings of foreign securities ranged from $\$ 15,000,000,000$ to $\$ 20$, $000,000,000$. The second nation in point of foreign investment was Germany, with about $\$ 6,000,000,000$; then came France with $\$ 5,000,000,000$. The

United States was not a lending nation at all. It was heavily a debtor, to a net amount estimated at $\$ 4,000$, 000,000 .
It had taken the nations of Europe generations to build up the volume of their foreign loans. For the United States to change from a debtor nation to such an extent into a creditor nation within two or three years, was an achievement neve paralleled by any nation in the history of the world. For the United States to surpass the world's foremost lending nation within two or three years more is a result that, up to 1915, not a single financier or economist would have dared to predict.
An exact calculation of the present net foreign loans of the United States is made difficult by the miscellaneous nature of these loans. In addition to the holdings of European ment and industrial securiti large volume of credit is held in the form of acceptances, foreign exchange credits, bank deposits, and open ac

## America's Supremacy.

Is it valid, however, at present, to convert pounds into dollars at the gold parity? When Great Britain sells any of its holdings of securities to us at this time, it has to accept the existing discount on the pound, whereas, if this country sells securities to Great Britain, it receives the benefit of the premium on the dollar. If, therefore, we translate pounds into dollars at the rate of $\$ 3.50$, which is about the present rate of exchange and approximates the average rate for the year to date (high $\$ 4.07$, low $\$ 3.19)$, we arrive at $\$ 10,500,000,000$ as the dollar value of England's investments, which is considerably less than the lowest possible estimate for this country.
It may be true that the present rate on the pound is only temporary, that Great Britain within a few years will return to a gold basis and that the pound will then return to parity. But in discussing the present without speculating upon the future, the fact stands out that America has passed Great Britain as the foremost lending nation of the world, and that at the current rate of trade, the outside world continues to pile up its debt to us, while Great Britain has been comparatively standing still.

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roperty but freguently destroys life and property but frequently it impairs the integrity of ideals. Unrest and discord have followed in the wake of the kaiser's war and the committee at the outset of its work emphasized the great need of co-operation in all credit relations. The co-operative principle has performed wonders as an ally for the building up of a stupendous commerce and disastrous results would follow any diminution of this principle in the human relationship.
Credit departments and credit grantCredit departments and credit grantors are urged to die.end the
principles in their relations with others and to make it a su preme guide in the Nation's commerce and in the working out of its economic problems. No time within the Nation's history demanded more largely the control of co-operation and the exercise of it will assist largely in the bringing in of peace and rest.
One of the most serious questions in the commercial field during recent days was the enormous sum of or-
ders cancelled when they had been ders cancelled when they had been placed in good faith and were accepted as legitimate business. Cancellations were a strong contributing cause to business hesitation. Cancellations have required the shutting down of s not incident to this Nation alone but reflects a certain human element which is brought into play under conditions of fear and alarm, and will destroy composure except where business conscience and a common sense appreciation of causes and effects are in control.
A careful analysis of the causes leading to the numerous and extravagant cancellations in recent months lead us back into the period when equally extravagant and speculative buying was causing many merchants to lose their good sense and judgment. Commodities were produced and bought on a rising market, with the expectation that a resale of them would produce big profits, and this was done without any thought of the future, when conditions might change and alter the entire complexion of affairs.
Prices reached their peak when stocks of commodities had been accumulated beyond the average need of business. At this period cut price sales were featured in some of the large retail stores, the newspapers featured campaigns for lower prices, all of which aroused an unwarranted expectation with the consuming public of a rapid decline in prices, imbued the merchants with a strong feeling of 'fear, and it resulted in a scramble to unload stocks, and the cancellation of unexecuted orders with the expectation that the same commodities could be rebought at lower prices.

The committee was strongly of the opinion that much of the publicity given to anticipated lower prices was injudicious and caused expectations that could not be confirmed. The committee regarded it as just, however, to place certain responsibilities for cancellations on the selling houses. Salesmen urged merchants to buy beyond their needs, representing that commodities would be difficult to get, that prices would not decline but probably have further rises, and that provision should be made against these conwise period, just wise period, just as the Association
anticipated and endeavored to prevent, was cancellations of a serious ype which interrupted the natural low of business.
To provide a remedy for cancellaions the committee urges good sense and honesty in the sale and purchase of commodities. The buyer should not be urged to purchase beyond his needs; he should be sold in good aith and buy in good faith. Wher he order is placed it were better to have it in an enforcible form-that is carry the written confirmation of the buyer-but even better than this the order should have the support of a strong conscience which will confirn contracts, no matter what has happened or is anticipated.
The American temperament is of an easy going type. Abuses are not at all difficult to bring about in American commerce because of this tempera ment. It is time, however, as the committee sizes up the situation for the control of care and good business judgment in the selling and buying of commodities. The entire business community should be gripped by a strong business conscience which will not under any circumstances allow actions that often aproach business indecencies. The impelling power of fear is difficult to overcome in econrmic crises, and nothing is more desirable, in the opinion of the committee, than to broaden the knowledge of economic laws and urge merchants to understand and interpret conditions without fear or panic.
The committee urges wide publicity to this minute on cancellations, so that the entire Nation may undertand the ill efrect and the waste which always attends a declination to accept commodities bought in good faith. The publicity departments of the National and local Associations are urg ed to assist in a thorough distribution of these conclusions
The return of merchandise was then considered by the committee. The reasons for this practice were allied closely to the causes leading to cancellations. On an approximate estimate, the return of merchandise costs the Aation annually at least one hundred millions of dollars. This is a loss borne usually by the consumer, as the costs are customarily provided for in the overhead of business enterprises; and it is well, in the opinion of the committee to emphasize strongly that prices to consumers embrace usually the cost which accrues through the return of merchandise.
When it is so important to produce and market commodities at the lowest possible prices it must be apparent to everyone that so large an item as the sum involved in the return of merchandise should be handled fearlessly and for the purpose of reducing it. Selling houses must be led to appreciate that mistakes in the execution of orders should be brought to a minimum, that substitutions should also be controlled, and the buyer required to retain the commodities which have been furnished in exact agreement with the order. The country has paid a large sum for this practice and it should be taken in hand and properly controlled when there is such serious necessity for business economies
Failure to conform with terms of sale, and especially wash discount sale, and especially cash, discount terms, is one of the Nation's biggest and most expensive trade abuses. It were impossible to calculate the annual cost to business for additional the payment of accounts and in the the payment of accounts and in the
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tion of the period in which they should properly be deducted.

This is a subject also of deep inter est to business economy, and the proper treatment of it will react favorably on commerce and give greater stability to our credit transactions. At this period, when business is marking time, competition may lead the selling of commodities. Such a drift will be exceedingly unfortumate in the opinion exceedingly unfortunate it is strongly urged that competition should be confined to goods and prices should be confined to goods and prices be brief, datings should be reasonable, be brief, dato short period and in sum conforming short period and in a sum conforming The Committee regards as very de sirable the bringing about by de standing brd greement of a close standing and agreement of a close count terms.
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Difference Between Stock and Mutual Methods.
The Tradesman was recently called upon to pass on the policies of a country store not many miles from Grand Rapids. There were two policies in mutual companies and five in stock companies. The mutual policies were valid. All of the stock policies were invalid for several reasons. The latter were returned to the agent with the request that he replace the illegal riders with riders which were valid

He changed the riders, but still used old forms containing the obnoxious word "concurrent," which should never be tolerated in any policy form by any one who believes in fair play and common honesty. He was then requested to bring the policies up-todate by replacing the obsolete form with a rider from which the detested term had been eliminated. Although two weeks have elapsed since this re quest was made, no reply has been received up to the present writing
Contrast, if you please, the above circumstance with the action of Man ager Bode, of the Shoe Dealers Mutual. A local patron of the Tradesman brought in a policy on his store building and asked to have it inspected. Careful examination disclosed that the policy was $O$. K., except that an old rider was used containing the ondemped term "concurrent" letter was immediately dispatched to the home office with the request that the old rider be replaced with the newer form in which the word "con current" does not appear. Within twenty-four hours the following gen erous reply was received to this re quest:

Fremont, Oct. 28-Enclosed herewith find policy, which we have corrected in accordance with your re quest. We were very glad to make this correction and we assure you that our action in this matter was entirely unintentional. We were quite sure that we had destroyed all of these old forms, but evidently we were mistaken. Hereafter we will take special pains to look over all of our policies, inasmuch as this was also done without our knowledge. A new
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What Would Happen if Your Minutes Were Systematizcd
Written for the Tradesman.
The busiest woman I know never seems to be hurried or overworked. She keeps every part of her home under her own hand, plans all the meals and knows what is going on from cellar to roof. She has no end of outside interests and engagements, but manages somehow to keep closely in touch with her own family. Almost every afternoon she gets home in time to have a quiet half-hour or more with her children, usually reading or talking to them while they have their simple supper. And she reads a great deal for her own pleasure and profit. She writes delightful letters to absent friends. I think she gets into or out of her twenty-four hours a day more than any other person of my acquantance.
1 always think of her in contrast with another of my friends, who doesn't accomplish one-tenth as much as she does, but who is always hurried, worried, behind-hand with her work and her engagements; always complaining that she doesn't have time to see her own children. Her household is chronically in an uproar. She is always wishing she "had time to read." And as for letter writing, she is the poorest correspondent in the world, I guess, although when she does get to the point of writing her letters are delightful, for she is a wo man of wit and brilliancy. She seems never to have time to do any of the things che declares she wants to do.
These two women I have watched for a good many years, and I know very well just wherein lies the secret of the efficiency and happiness of the one and the overstrain and mental discontent of the other.

It is all a question of foresight, system, and economy of time and effort Long ago the first woman told me how she did it.
"I am naturally a disorderly and unsystematic person," she said. "I would much rather let things drift and do from hour to hour just what I felt like doing, dawdling and wasting time. But pretty soon after I was married I discovered that my housekeeping was not only swamping meI had to do all my own work then except the heavy washing and clean-ing-but was breaking down my health. I was always tired, I never had time to do anything except household drudgery; I never could go anywhere or read anything. Before my time I was getting to be a wornout old woman, a kitchen drudge.
"One evening I told my husband this, and that I was in cespair because I couldn't see any way out of it. I really was afraid that when the baby
we were expecting came along, with the added duties and responsibilities, the child would show the effects of my weariness, and I would break down under the strain. He said to me:
'If I did my work the way you do, I, too, would be a wreck. I believe I am as busy as you are, but it doesn't seem to wear on me the way your work wears on you. I think the reason is that my work is systematized. My colleagues and the system in my office compel me to do things at specified times; if I didn't the whole place would be in chaos. Let's see if we can't work out a scheme for your day that will make your time and strength go further than they do now
So we sat down right then and there and wrote out a list of the things I had to do from morning until night, with the amount of time that each required. Yes, a kind of timetable.
"I was amazed, I remember very well, at the difficulty we had in accounting for all the time I had. There were literally hours between morning and bed-time that seemed somehow to be wasted. And I realized then that these hours just leaked away in little dribbles of time, in aimless duplications and unnecessary steps and motions; not to mention the time when I was doing things I didn't really care very much about-things that, as my husband said, didn't get me anywhere.
"The next morning I started in on a definite schedule. I got up at a definite time, which I hadn't been doing before. I tried to work swiftly at the things I had to do; I tried not to waste even minutes on things that didn't count. I even moved the table in the kitchen so as to shorten the distance to the sink and the stove; I changed the location of things in the pantry so that articles most used were in the handiest place.

I found that very first day, that I squeezed out time for a nap and a little good reading. I began then the practice of reading one quiet, helpful bit of poetry every day and, I am oldfashioned about that-a bit of the old Bible. I owe a great deal to the habit I then began of sacredly reserving for myself a little while each day to be quiet by myself, resting a little and reading.

Curiously enough, the saving of minutes for things worth while almost immediately began to reflect it self in the saving of money. I found myself systematizing expenditures, asking myself whether this or that, that I was thinking of buying was really worth while. I began to think of these half hours that I was rescuing for rest and reading and other
things I really wanted to do as savings and investments. My husband helped and encouraged me, and I have kept up the habit ever since. I am able to do more than other women do, I think, simply and solely because I don't waste much time; I plan my work rather carefully and stick to the plan. ' "I moon and day-dream, read poetry
and other things, and engage in mere fun and aimless talk, like other wo men-and men, too-but I do it in the time that I call my own. I get to places on time and leave promptly to go somewhere else. I plan my housekeeping and require my household helpers to live up to my plan. It makes it easier for them. I do not keep servants who will not co-operate in that way

There is no magic about it, and no patent on it. Everybody can do it if they want to. But they must want to And they must have the courage and self-control to live up to their plan. That is the hard part of it; but strength comes with practice. Every day it is easier than the day before. Bye and bye it is a habit, and takes care of itself." Prudence Bradish. (Copyrighted 1920.)

High Ethical Standard in Newspaper Work.
Everybody knows that Senator Warren G. Harding, Republican nominee for President, publishes a newspaper at Marion, Ohio, but everybody does not know that his newspaper creed, as issued in instructions to his writers and reportcrs, rings true. It is worthy of be
ing followed by newspapers everywhere. Here it is
Remember there are two sides to very question. Get them both Be truthful. Get the facts.
Mistakes are inevitable, but strive for accuracy. I would rather have one story exactly right than a hundred half wrong.

Be decent, be fair, be generous.
Boost-don't knock.
There's good in everybody. Bring out the good in everybody and never needlessly hurt the feelings of anybody.
In reporting a political gathering give the facts, tell the story as it is, not as you would like to have it. Treat all parties alike.
If there is any politics to be played we will play it in our editorial columns
Treat all religious matters rever
If it can possibly be avoided, never bring ignominy to an innocent man or child in telling the misdeeds or misfortunes of a relative.
Don't wait to be asked, but do it without asking, and above all, be clean and never permit dirty words or suggestive stories get into type.
I want the Star so conducted that it can go into any home without destroying the innocence of any child.

## Sure Sign.

What is young Spudsley going in for-music or literature?"
"Don't know what makes you think he's going in for either?"
"He was just in here and bought windsor tie."

## Selling Baking Powder Backwards

## A great grocer says:

"Every baking powder salesman that comes in here has the same argument-'As good as Royal.'
"I wonder if they realize that they are the best salesmen on record for

ROYAL Baking Powder

## Absolutely Pure

Made from Cream of Tartar, Derived from Grapes
Contains No Alum.
Leaves No Bitter Taste.

## The Progress of the World Can Be Traced to Flour Quality-

Look for the ROW E N A trade - mark on the sack

It is a fact that the progress and development of the nations can be traced by the quality and the quantity of the bread they have used.

No other food has played so important a part in the civilization of man. It has changed his habits from those of the savage to the civilized being. The more advanced the civilization the greater the demand for the highest grade flour. For nearly three generations

## Lily White <br> "The Flour the Best Cooks Use"

has been keeping pace with the exact requirements of America's fast development.
Today it is the choicest product milled in this country. It is made from the most select wheats grown in this country-a blend of soft and hard, to give perfect balance and make it the ideal all-around flour. It has nutrition and sustenance. Few flours equal, none surpass it in texture and color.

The grain is cleaned four times, scoured three times and carefully washed before going on the rolls for milling. The bread, biscuits and pastry made from LILY WHITE have a flavor that is most appetizing - they are light and bake in a way to delight all enthusiastic home bakers. A treat is in store for those who use LILY WHITE. It is guaranteed to please.

## Ask for it at Your Dealer's

## VALLEY CITY MILLING CO. GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

"Millers for Sixty Years"


Michigan Retail Dry Goods Association. President-J. W. Knapp, Lansing.
First Vice-President-J. C. Toeller Battle Creek.
Second Vice-President-J. B. Sperry Fort Huron. Secretary Treasurer - W. O. Jones,

Burglary Insurance For Dry Goods Dealers.
Lansing, Nov. 2-My attention has been called very forcibly recently to been called very forcibly recently to the matter of protection against burglars. The store of Alexander Chisholm \& Son, at Breckenridge, was robbed sometime during the night redow, opened a door and loaded about $\$ 2,000$ worth of silks, etc., into an $\$ 2,000$ worth of silks, etc., into an automobile and departed. This burglary was carried out so success fully that many of our merchants in that part of the State have been mak ing enquiries as to the cost of burglary insurance. One of our members has secured a statement in a let er from an insurance company, whic reads in part as follows:
"In order to secure this insurance it is necessary for you to protect the ide and rear windows and glass ove any rear or side doors by heavy iron any rear or side doors by heavy tron bars at least $3 / 4$ inch in diameter, thes bars to be firmly imbedded in the casements of each. It will also be ecessary for you to put Segal locks n side and rear doors and also upon your front door or doors. It will be necessary to protect your transom with heavy iron screens and to provide a heavy detachable iron screen to cover the glass on front doors during the hours when the store is closed "The rates on this class of business excluding silks
are as follows:
$\$ 1,000$ insurance
2,000 insurance,
-------.-. \$ 52.50
3,000 insurance,
3,000 insurance 90.00

4,000 insurance, .-.-.-.-.-.-.-.-.-.-. 148.50
"If you wish to include silks, laces, etc., or to put specific insurance on this class, the rate would be for $\$ 1,000$ $\$ 72$; $\$ 2,000$ would be $\$ 126$; but this insurance cannot be written until the above improvements have been made." The above quotation from the letter speaks for itself. It will be observed that the rate for burglary in surance is very high and the expense involved before the insurance can be secured is also considerable. D. W. Robinson, of Alma, has protected his doors by heavy iron bars and his transoms by heavy iron screens, as stated above. I did not secure from Mr. Robinson the cost incurred, but any member who is interested can get this information from Mr. Robinson direct. After he had protected his store as stated above, Mr. Robinson decided that his building was so well protected that he would not incur the additional expense of burglary insurance. I am sending this letter out to call your attention to this situation. If, in view of the fact that these very expensive burglaries are taking place frequently, our members desire to look into the matter further, I am now in a position to secure information that I believe will be not only interesting but valuable.
We have a letter from one of our members in Flint on the subject of advertising. It is good enough to be passed along and I am quoting it verbatim. I believe that many of our merchants can read this communication with profit:
"At the regular meeting of our Dry

Goods Association in this city the question of advertising was discussed at considerable length. It is true there is much advertising matter in papers that is not constructive, simply used to change people's minds. This has been quite necessary during the past but it seems to the merchants of this town that a better course could be pursued.
"Why talk about items on the profiteering line when we could just as well take up some subject that will help to boost general conditions and forget prices. What we need is advertising that will help to make con fidence. We can appreciate that it is the effort of the Merchants Associa tion to do this, but the kind of advertising we are getting we have our doubts that the results will bring about what we are looking for.
"The conditions that merchants are facing to-day is due in a great meas ure to politics but we believe that if the parties who have charge of this work would go to work on an educa tional basis such as take up the wool industry and show same through to the garment, selling, etc., and likewise with cotton, showing the necessary expenditures all along the line in order to produce these goods, we will accomplish much more than by trying to show how many bricks it takes to build a house or how long it took to lay the bricks.
"The idea of our merchants is that we would like to see advertising that would be of an educational nature instead of simply that intended to dis credit some other statements. W wonder if it will not be possible to get better results by following this course. Of course, the profiteering business is taking care of itself at the present time.
I will be very glad, indeed, to hear from some other merchants on this subject. Jason E. Hammond, Manager Michigan Retail Dry Goods Association.

Uprightness Questioned.
"I have changed my mind. I will not take that piano.
"Why not? Of course, it is secondhand, but it is just as it was represented to you."
"And you can stand there and look me in the face and say that! You know very well you told me it was an upright piano, and I just found out, from your lady clerk, where you got

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There are no misfits in the Hirth-Krause line. They are all correctly sized, reinforced and wear like iron.

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Manufacturers of the Genuine Horse Hide Gloves
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MICHIGAN

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Michigan

AROUND THE WORLD.
Impressions Graphically Recorded By Noted Globe Trotter.
Diamond Harbor, April 9-Rangoon, the
principal city and capital of Burma, is srinciated on the Rangoon or River, about
twenty-five miles from the sea. We left twenty- 1 ive
Singapore and dropped anchor at the mouth of the where we waited until dayilight, Apriteam up the narrow channel, finally to drop
anchor at $7: 30$ a. m. April 4, about five The Rangoon River is a great water way, fed by the many other rivers in
which Burma abounds, the greatest of which, the Irraiwaddy, is naveateble for
some 900 miles. The influence of these rivers is appare.t. for many miles out to
sea. Early on the morning of the the beautiful blue water suddenly began to change its color and assumed the most
classic blackish brown hue. Even those classic blackish brown hue. Even those
abroad who live along the banks of the Ohio, Missouri and Misssippi decided home had met their Waterloo. The tide has a rise and fall of some seventeen advantage moving from point to point
with considerable speed, minus labor or As lightering against this very swift
current was necessary at the time we disembarked, it was rather slow work landing our 500 and some odd passengers
ashore. We, however, got a fairly early Having engaged motors by wireless We took a hurried ride around the city
in the few comparatively cool hours still out into the country, but the heat and dirt stripped a rather uninteresting ride ot any possible interest that it might
otherwise have held for us. This being otherwise have held for us. This being
the dry season in Burma, the last rain
having foll having fallen in November, the country
is pretty well burned up and the vegetation brown, rather than green. broad and well paved, but, as a crity it
presents very little of attraction or beauty. The people are, indeed, picturesque
and our visit was enlivened by the fact
that it was The population of the city is given as 300,000, made up of Burmese, Hindoos, Mohammedans, Chinese and, of course,
a fair sprinkling of English and foreigners.
To the traveler, however, interest cen ters almost entirely around the Budd-
hists, for Rangoon is the Buddhist hists, for Rangoon is the Buddhis
stronghold of Indo-China. In fact the pagodas or shrines of the Buddhists
really form the only great objects worthy really form the only great objects worthy
of note. Of these, the Shwe Dagon pagoda of note. Of these, the Shwe Dagon pagoda
so far surpasses the others in every way that it becomes the real objective
point of the tourist's visit to Rangoon. The shape of the pagodas, while vary. variably of a masonry terrace in high
plinth, a bell shaped body and a ti, or plinth, a bell shaped body and a ti, or
umbrella spire, a construction formed of concentric rings of beaten iron lessening To rod with a small vane on the top. faction to either you or myself, the marvelous dignity of the pagoda and is sur-
roundings, its magnitude and beauty, would, indeed, be a fruitless task. I have noan of quite a number of descriptions, since having seen, must was to see and mind they form a very disappointing idea This pagoda, standing, as it does, on surrounding country, having a circumrising to of height fet, and from its base, from many miles. In fact, we got our to five miles from our anchorage four from base to summit, which makes it it
wonderfully effective in light, and is surmounted by or moonumbrella, on each of whose many rings
are hanging innumerable gold and silver The pagoda is reached from three points of the compass.
and East-the Western (North,
having closed for fortification) through a flight the most important and the one most frequently used, is covered by a series of ing and in some cases the painting being The steps themselves are well worn through long and constant use. Only Toreigners, however, are permitted to en-
ter, clad in foot wear. On either side of the steps (which are in four tiers,
about 170 in all) are stalls at which gold leaf, flowers, wax tapers and other ofBeggars are also much in evidence. finds himself the top of the stairway one in the center of an open flagged space, rounding the large pagoda are hundreds of smaller pagodas or shrines, each built by one of the faithful as an offering
to Buddha. The builders of these cording to the faith, are looked upon as
saints on earth and upon death they atSome of them are marvels in beauty and design; some show a lavish expen-
sult; others are very plain: some con-
tain the image of Buddha done in marble and crowned with jewels: some his image only in plaster or wood, each ac-
cording to the means of the donor, but all accomplishing for him the same result. Buddha is represented in every conceivable condition and position, but
he is always Buddha. In some of the temples there are wonderful wood carvsenting somers, phase in the each repre
even physical pigious or even physical life of the Buddhists.
There is a constant procession of shippers streaming in to make their of fering, from men and women, dressed
in gaily colored and expensive clothes. in gaily colored and expensive elothes.
to men, women and children dressed in ta men, women and cemidren buying flowers, some tapers
ras. some
to burn at Buddha's shrine, some rice for Buddha to eat. Some bring gold, We saw one old woman, very poorly
clad, bring a package of gold leaf to be appiied to the pagoda, and which she handed to an attendant. During the
time the work was being done, she pros trated herself on the ground, offering up prayers, or, judging by her, gift, asking
that some special favor be granted her that some special favor be granted her.
Buddha is fed, Buddha is bathed, his teeth are washed; in fact, he goes
through every ablution known to man The faith of these people is marvellous You must imagine this whole picture
set in a tropical garden, with wonderful palm tres extending toward the skerful to
a height that seems almost equal to that a height that seems almost equal to that
of the pagoda, also teak trees with their enormous trunks and spreading branches. Then imagine this scene at night with a
full moon casting its gleam on the golden spire and shatows into remote corners, ing over myriads of steeples. cand shin-
ing
burning before the shrines burning before the shrines. and with it
all the constant musical tinkling of tho all the constant musical tinkling of thou-
sands of bells as they are being swayed by the wind; the wail of the belated pilgrim saying his prayers, all of which
makes an impression not soon to be forWe visited the pagoda in the after noon, during early evening and ane after-
midnight. With the moon trat ms in the sky, it was with regret that we were compelled was with regret that we
from this fascinating scene in away from this fascinating scene in order to
fecure some rest preparatory to the secure some rest preparatory to the
fatigue of the following day. We stayed that night at the Minto
Mansion Hotel, a very excellent hotel for the Orient. Our rooms were latre
and cool. We were furnished with baths and cool. We were furnished with baths
such as the country affords-showers that shower over the entire bath room without regard to a dre other atrude neces-
sities with which ond sities with which a bath room is usually
furnished. We slept in good beds cling and to the heavy mosquito netWhile quite a few ants of various sizes.
shapes and colors, walk over your feet in the morning and bugs of some size feres with your nerves in the Orient. During the day and late in the evening,
native dancers graced the courtyard of the hotel. The dance continued with short intermissions for the best part of
twelve hours. This is the sele ment that the Burmese furnishes for his guest, and these dances, as a rule, last is almost entirely one motion and becomes monotonous.
The women are young, but beauty, a We know it, is difficult to find in any of geous colored silks and use much powder on their faces. During the resting period
they smoke large black cigars, a custom they smoke large black cigars, a custom
in which all Burmese women indulge. The music is rather tuneful in spots, there are a great number being the which ing instruments. Bells or gongs of varinstrument, like a clarinet, give out a peculiar wail, the kind that you imagine
would charm the wild beasts of the for est. There were also Indian sleight-of hand performers who, right under our very eyes, gave an exhibition in leger-
demain which would have put to shame demain which would have put to shame
the average vaudeville artist in the same line at home and who has lights and a stage working elephants are one of the sights of Rangoon. Bourists posing fo phants hande enormous logs of teak wood for practical purposes. They pull, push and lift, sometimes doing all three either to bee easily carried away position, high
water. or, for the saw. The work is water, or, for the saw. The work is There is one very nice drive in Ran goon-around Victoria Lake and Park-
A band concert is given late every Patter noon and with it occurs the gatherinof the select. The turnouts are very elegant-fine horses and harness, a coachman in front and two servants beBefore noon the second day, we wer quite ready to go aboard ship, although we did not sail until three in the afternoon, for Rangoon is almost the warmest
port we have so far visited. What is yet to come we know not, but in store for us, as in about an hour we disembark on the way to Calcutta for
our inland trip through Ind our inland trip through India. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Julius Fleischman. }\end{aligned}$

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## A Case of Mistaken Identity.

The lady entered the grocery store and, after pausing a moment to sample the contents of a box of salted almonds, addressed a pleasant-looking man standing by the counter.
"What are eggs, to-day?" she asked.
"Eggs, madam?" he replied courteously, "Why eggs, to-day, as yesterday, are the oval-shaped, shell-covered product of the hen, the duck, the goose and other members of the feathered tribe. Biologically speaking, they are nothing more than germ cells-'
"Indeed! Very clever," said the lady, with a smile. "But that is not what I wished to learn. Perhaps you can tell me what a dozen eggs come to-"
"I am not a prophet, madam," said the man politely. "What a dozen eggs will come to depends upon two fac-tors-what kind of eggs they are, and what you use them for. If they are alligator's eggs they will come, under propitious conditions, ultimately, to suit-cases, slippers, or gun-cases; but if you refer to hen's eggs, as I presume you do, they may come to an omelette. They may come to a scramble. They may come to grief. If a broody hen sets on them they may come to life, and the same results can be obtained by substituting an unmaternal incubator for the former; but this is, I am told, a most uncertain venture due to a large number of factitious causes, but generally to imperfections in the egg itself."
The lady's gracious smile faded away. She had apparently had enough facetiousness for the time being.
"Young man," she said, somewhat severely, "will you tell me how high eggs are to-day, or not?"
"I should be pleased to, madam," he replied, "but alas, that also depends entirely upon the individual egg. You never can tell how high an egg is until you have opened it."
"You will excuse me, young man," the lady retorted huffily, "but you do not seem to understand your position. I want freshness in the eggs not in those who sell them. Do you for one moment imagine that I can continue to buy things at this shop if my enquiries are met with such frivolity?"
"I have tried to answer your questions not only truthfully, but courteously, madam," replied the man, "and I am sorry if I have offended. But even then, I don't see why you should visit your displeasure upon the
genial proprietor of this store, because of any seeming delinquencies of mine."
"Not visit my displeasure upon the proprietor when he employs a fresh, impertinent, silly and frivolously facetious person like you?'
"Oh, but he doesn't, madam," protested the young man. "I am Professor Dwiggins, the new instructor in English at the high-school, and, like yourself, have come here to enquire into the market price current of a tolerable grade of cold-storage poultry germ, suitable for introduction into polite society at a little dinner Mrs. Dwiggins and I are giving to the school commissioners this evening."

The Butcher's Mission in Life. Every one of us, regardless of what our occupation may be, has a certain mission in life. Some of us perform this mission honestly and efficiently, and thus help the world to progress and win for ourselves the friendship and gratitude of humanity, while others slack, thus retarding the development of civilization.
The butcher's mission is an extremely important one, although he himself all too frequently does not realize that fact. First of all, of course, it is his duty to live an honorable life and to play the game square with his fellow men and women.
However, he has a misson in the world of business which is distinctly his own, apart from his general duties to the world. His mission, in brief, is to retail to the public good, wholesome, sanitary meats as economically as possible. Most butchers perform this mission efficiently and economically, although the public does not always give them due credit for it.

Bone Taint in Corned Beef. See that the meat is absolutely free from bone taint before it goes into pickle. If this exists it will grow worse throughout the entire time it is in the vat. If the meat is absolutely sound before it goes into the vat, then the taint is evidently due to your packing. All beef that is corned, and rump beef especially, should never be packed tightly in the vat, as this prevents the pickle from permeating the meat as it should. This condition results in the outer part of the meat being corned properly, but the inner part, and especially the part around the bone, being tainted, as the pickle is not able to preserve it. Pack your meat more loosely; it is a good plan to let it practically float. Before going into the vat the meat around the bones in the rumps that are to be corned should be loosened with a long, thick-bladed knife, thus giving the pickle a chance to permeate it.


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The landscape gardener has so long and so persistently improved upon nature that now the fruit grower thinks he has a right to try. Any person who wants a supply of apples bearing his family crest has only to send an illustration of it to certain growers at Montreuil, France, and he will duly receive the fruit the following season by paying the price.
The desired end is attained by growing the apples in paper bags, and these are slipped on when the fruit is about the size of a walnut. Being thus sheltered from the sun the apples do not color as they swell, and when fully grown still remain green or yellow.
As soon as they reach their maximum size the bags that cover them are replaced by others, on the side of which the desired crest or coat of arms has been cut like a stencil. The sun can now penetrate to that part of the apple exposed and redden it thoroughly, so that when the bag is again withdrawn the device is seen standing out in red upon the green surface.
To obtain the opposite result-that is, a green device on a red groundthe second bag is not used, but the pattern is cut out in paper and stuck on to the fruit, the sun coloring all the exposed parts but leaving green the crest or other device which the paper forms.
Many Parisian fruiterers exhibit for sale apples with the coat of arms of the allied countries printed upon them; others have them with monograms, Christian names, arrow pierced hearts and other tender devices.
Limburger Cheese Strong Evidence in This Case.
A story that smells of Charlie Chaplin comes from Kansas City, where two butcher-grocers are defendants, a woman who planned to start a rival store is plaintiff, and a limburger cheese is strong evidence in a suit for $\$ 75,550$ damages. According to petition of Mrs. Ernie Adams, plaintiff, she went to the near-by store of John C. Schmidt and his son, Charles W Schmidt, and there purchased some limburger cheese. Walking home with the cheese, Mrs. Adams said she opened it only to find it so old it had lost its natural and normal solidity. She found the cheese "very objectionable and sensitive to the smell," she specifies.

Then Mrs. Adams sought to returil it, she says, handing it back to Mr. Schmidt and telling him to take back his cheese, whereupon, her petition states, without cause or provocation, unlawfully, wickedly and viciously the defendant did seize the cheese and hurl it at the plaintiff's head. Mrs. Adams says the cheese struck her with great force on the head, filling her eyes and her hair, covering her clothes, neck and shoulders, and creating a great and sickening stench. Jellies Go With Meat.
The Palace Market has adopted something new in sidelines. Their regular stock is a line of meat sold to the best class of customers. The sideline is a well-selected and tempting array of jams, jellies, pickles and relishes.

When asked how they came to start selling produce, which seems so contrary to one's idea of a butcher's stock, the reply was: "Well, aren't these the things you think of when you think of preparing your meat? Anyway, we are selling them."
And they are, too. The stock is kept ever before the customer, next to the glass of the counter; and buying has become such a habit with their trade that a meat order is seldom given without its accompanying order of relish or jam.
Missouri Melon Shipments Below 1919.

This season's movement of watermelons from Missouri amounted to about 3,000 cars, according to final tabulations. This amount was fully 500 cars less than shipments in 1919. The yield also was somewhat less than last year and was locally estimated as about one-third of a carload to the acre. St. Louis, Chicago and Kansas City received the bulk of the carlot shipments, although numerous shipments were made also to the smaller city markets of the Mississippi Valley. A grower's association in the Southeastern part of the State successfully handled about 30 per cent. of the shipments from that section, grading, weighing and counting the melons as they were loaded in cars.

Preparing Hides for Shipment.
Before handling remove excess of salt by sweeping or shaking. Bundle properly according to the nature of the hides or skins. Tie all bundles tightly and securely, and tag each one. Be sure that the tag cannot come off, and see that it is clearly and lastingly addressed. After the preparation for shipment, ship promptly.


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What the Hardware Dealer Can Do in November.

## Written for the Tradesman

With the presidential campaign out of the way and the holiday season now opening in prospect, improvement may be looked for in business. The shrewd hardware dealer will, in the approaching holiday season, put his very best efforts into selling, and will utilize his business-getting opportunities to the utmost.
For it is now time for the hardware dealer to consider his Christmas selling campaign. Not that the Christmas campaign commences this early in November; but it is necessary to plan a long distance ahead, and now is the time to begin planning
Indeed, in November, the dealer will be putting the finishing touches on his preparations for Christmas trade. As with other rush seasons preparatory work ahead of time will tend to make the actual selling while the season is in progress run more smoothly. Everything in the way of preparation should be completed before the end of November; since with the first of December the actual Christmas selling campaign should be launched
Before Christmas comes Thanks giving Day; and as a preliminary to Thanksgiving Day the hardware store can give a decidedly holiday aspect to some of its displays. At this seasor. of the year a great many people think of brightening up the home for the winter months. Perhaps some riember of the family is coming home from college for the Holidays; perhaps it is merely the desire to offset the dull, leaden skies outside; anyway, coinci dent with fall housecleaung, opportunities will disclose themselves to effect little improvements. This floor may need waxing or re-varnish ing; the wall-finish in a certain roon. may require a second coat. So, early in November, the hardware dealer can start a "Brighter Up for the Holidays" advertising campaign. Feature the idea in your newspaper space and window displays, and talk it up with your customers. Put on demonstrations of floor finishes, floor wax, wall tints and similar ine to show to the general public how easy it is for the amateur decoratot handle this work in spare time
Another line of advertising in this connection will take for its slogan "Turn your odd moments into property values." You can point out that the decoration of a room or any similar improvement adds to the value of property; and it adds, not


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a money saving price. Sidnev Elevator Mnfg. Co.. Sidney, Ohio the value of the time spent in decorating. Where the property owner himself does the decorating, he is converting his time into invested capital. Most people with slack moments at their disposal never realize this aspect of a lot of work they can do about the house. It is for the hardware dealer's advertising to educate them
The interior fimishes follow logically the conclusion of the fall paint campaign out of doors, and the pushing and sale of these lines will help keep the paint department busy
In connection with your "Brighten Up for the Holidays" campaign, other lines besides indoors paint specialties can be pushed. For instance, there are little repair jobs that require attention in almost every home-defective locks and door bells, broken window catches, worn out lengths of stove pipe, cracked window panes. A new coal scuttle may be needed, or an ash sifter, or some other stove ac cessory. Suggest these and other appropriate lines in your newspaper advertising and window display. The sales may individually be small, but every little bit helps
Another line of selling activity is a "Get Ready for Winter" drive. In this connection you can display and feature a lot of lines-catches and pulls for storm doors, glass and putty for storm windows, weather strip, stove and heater accessories, and the like.

In a display like this the great thing is to get the idea across to the customer. The basic idea is the thing Your object is to get the passerby really thinking seriously about the approach of winter, and the necessary preparations for cold weather. "Prepare for winter, and prepare before winter actually comes," is the idea to drive home with all the advertising force you can muster. With this you can link, if you desire, the further idea of utilizing the long winter evenings to get the summer stuff in shape; as,

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for instance, in the painting of lawn seats and veranda chairs, oiling window screens before storing them for the winter, etc.
In window displays of this sort, it is well to use show cards freely, to help bring home your message to the customer. Show the goods and at the same time embody your suggestions in a series of show cards. "A storm window is no better than its worst pane-mend the broken pane." is a suggestion in point. "Paint the porch chairs before you put them away" is another slogan-and so on, down the line.
Another great help in securing effective window displays is found in seasonable decorations. The good window trimmer not merely shows seasonable goods but emphasizes their seasonableness by timely accessories. With almost every timely line, some decorative accessory can be secured which will help out the seasonable effect.
Thus, with a display whose keynote is the imminent approach of winter, artificial snow and artificial ice help out the effect. For snow flakes, use bits of cotton batting suspended by very fine threads. For ice and snow, a piece of plate glass edged with common salt will make a realistic effect. Earlier in the month the Thanksgiving pumpkin gives a seasonable atmosphere to the holiday window. Then, the winter effect can be secured by contrast; as with a fireplace showing imitation coals-electric bulbs glowing through red crepe paper. The suggestion of winter cosiness indoors carries with it the corresponding suggestion of winter chill without.

Quite often elaborate seasonable effects can be worked out, where the window trimmer has time, space and equipment at his disposal; but some of the neatest and most appealing effects are, often, decidedly simple.
One of the most effective of the seasonable displays is a "Winter Comfort Window." This can embody various items, according to the lines you desire to feature. The commonest type of display is the mantel grate with glowing imitation coals, a small table with an electric or oil reading lamp, perhaps a coffee percolator, and other items, With the help of curtains, screens and similar accessories the comfort idea can be driven right home to every passer-by. This comfort idea will link up with a good many lines of stock-ranges, oil, gas and coal heaters, gas and electric grates, weather strip, electric, oil and gas reading lamps, candles and candle sticks, and all sorts of stove accessories.
The winter-comfort idea, the bright-en-up-for-holidays idea, the get-ready-for-winter idea, and all the rest, lead up logically to the climax of the year's business, the Christmas campaign. As I have stated, now is the time to get the last of your preparatory work completed, in order to get your Christmas campaign launched the first thing in December.
Your preparatory work will include the rearrangement of the store interior for Christmas trade, which should be planned on paper before any thing is shifted. Then, outline your series of Christmas displays, timing one of
the best for comparatively early in the season. If you are likely to need extra Christmas help, make your arrangements early; and, if possible, arrange for your temporary helpers to put in a few hours a week before the rush actually sets in, so that they may get at least a little familiar with the business. Then, too, you can prepare practically all your Christmas newspaper advertising in advance. Of course, when the time comes an item here and there may have to be changed; but that will be easier than putting together a big advertisement when you are fairly rushed off your feet by other duties.
Preparatory work of this sort will help later; and it is work that can and should be done between now and the end of November.
Victor Lauriston.

Union Cooties of the Great Unrest. Last Wednesday afterroon a big truck loaded with crates of glass bottles of the capacity of a pint was being driven out Jefferson avenue near Hastings street. One layer of crates filled the body of the truck, which was not very high, while another layer rested on top of these.
Persons in a car following the load of bottles noticed as they approached that the box at one of the rear corners of the truck was gradually being jolted over the edge. The driver of the passenger car speeded up and drove alongside the truck, giving the union driver of the latter warning of the impending accident by pointing to his load.
The truck driver turned sharply toward the curb and at the same time, put on his brakes, nearly hitting another truck standing at the curb in the process. The check in the truck's career was so abrupt that the box of bottles which had for the minute past been barely balancing on the edge, toppled off as the car stopped, and hit the pavement with a crash that sounded as if $\$ 10,000$ worth of plate glass windows had been smashed. It was a big crate, holding possibly 100 or maybe twelve dozen bottles.
What did the driver of the truck do when he heard the crash and realized what had happened?
Why, he just laughed.-Detroit Saturday Night.

Is your mind on your business through the business day, or is it wandering to sports, or some other non-essential?

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Saginaw Council Establishes a World Record.
Saginaw, Nov. 1-October 16, 1920, will
go down in history as being the day when Saginaw Council established ${ }^{2}$ world record for the number of candi-
dates initiated into the order at one seassion, then the final count was taken, the 105 men, good and true, who had passed through the portals of the only secret order of traveling men in existance.
It was a meeting never to be forgotten an attendance. In fact, it caused such a stir that arrangements were made before
the meeting was adjourned to put on an other campaign and duplicate this wonderful feat at the December meeting.
.Look out. Cadillac, come on Grand Rapids," is the watchword of the hour
at this writing among Saginawians, for at this writing among Saginawians, for
today Saginaw is the second largest Council in Michigan and only short about fifty members of being the largest in the State. We can assure Cadillac that we
will have more to say about first place will have more
after our meeting in December.
Owing to illness of many months doraton and much to my regret, the writer
was unable to be at the big affair, but
was ant took place. of saginaw on this special night you would have been led to believe night entire city had let loose its noise making power. The writer, in an article published recandidates and on several occasions was
kidded for making such an outlandish statement. The trouble with a lot of folks in Michigan is that they are no
aware of the real facts and sound con ditions of our fair city and of her rustling our mark high and go out to beat our aim. This was much in evidence on
summing up the record of the October Why shouldn't we "go over the top." being led on in the fray by two such
stalwart soldiers as Czar Brown and Mayor Mercer and their lieutenants? Brown and his coworkers won out by
one member in the fight for salesmanship supremacy. Supreme and Gran and we are safe to say they did not leave our gates disappointed. occasion were offivers and member of Port Huron,
so, Flint, Lansing and Bay City Councils, who brought some twenty candidates confused, beg to say these were no supreme Counselor W. B. Emerson, of Columbus, Ohio, gave one of the finest fraternity talks ever heard at such a
gathering. He is an impressive, forceful and talented speaker. We are only sorry that he was in such poor physical con-
dition, for, giving us what he did under prevailing circustances, we should like to presence served as an inspiration for those around him and had much to do in making the meeting a success. As their best wishes for a safe and speedy recovery. Mr. Emerson is a Michigan product, his boyhood days been spent on
farm near Vassar. Today he has the a farm near Vassar. To-day he has the Counselor, the highest honor that can be bestowed upon him by the United Com-
mercial Travelers of America. A. G. MacEachron, from Detroit, was on A. G. Mackachron, from Detroit, was on
hand and, true to form, gave the Ray of Hope lecture, for which he has made himself famous throughout the state MacEachron is a former Saginaw boy.
P. G. C. (Cliff) Starkweather was also here from Detroit and left his usual streak of sunshine and good fellowship behind, which always makes one
better man for having met him.

Grand Secretary Maurice Heumann came up from Jackson to give us the
statistics on the condition of the order and by so doing gave us something to
think about and ponder over for future think about and ponder over for future
reference. He holds his office with credit to himself and the order.
Another man from Detroit who was in Another man from Detroit who was in
the limelight at this great function was the limelight at this great function was
Lou Burch. He helped kindle the U. C. T. ism in the hearts of the old as well as affair is complete without him. fraternity day was our King Pin Spiller of the His was our own Herbert D. Ranney.
His being, almost eat up by the ingancy of his smile, was the outstandand why not? Besides being bur present
Grand Senior Counselor, he found time to join the "Go Gutters" and fid his share toward rounding up the 105 . When gavel to his successor next June, he will lave completed the greatest he history
making event known in the annals of U. C. T.ism. Kn own in a the annals or
cause and hopes to inspire every for the
council Cause state to higher aims every council
in the stars.
It would hardly be fair to It would hardly be fair to our great
corps of officers to not give them a word of praise for their wonderful team work
and the perfect They did themselves proud the ritual. work was keens watched by our dis men. in H. L. Rutherford they have a great leader: Holman did his usual "good Saginaw U. C. T. trio, composed of Robt Brown. W: A. Johnson and Evan Owen were the noisemakers of the afternoon
and evening, and if they keep and evening, and if they keep on imp
proving they will soon be behind the footlights (you thought I was going to say bars. The boys deserve much cred Senior Counselor H. L. Rutherford entertained for the Supreme, Grand and local officers at the Saginaw Club at
noon. It was a fine affair and deserves Last but not least, comes the "high Credit function of the day, the banquet
 Choate and his associate members of the beat," was the word passed around the them! Thew were the ladies! God bless they slung the hash, hand and the way "Yankee" slang) would make any man hungry This was handled in perfect mighty proud of our fair coworkers and of come in quite necessarily, for a lot showing made by the council the past In conclusion I am requested to an of 100 men to der 18 regular meeting. Can we do it? Special thanks goes to Editor E. A
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A broader distribution of canned foods has occurred during the past week, taking the line as a whole, owing to the low range in prices, which have attracted more buying interest. It is still a forced market, when costs of production are lost sight of, and one in which values must be shaded, to the last notch before the buyer will show his interest. The most encouraging feature is the gradual expansion of retail sales as a result of lower prices to the consumer. The chain stores are making a specialty of several lines of canned foods, and this will force the smaller retailer to cut down his asking prices. In time the lower retail range will give a better tone to the market and it will establish an outlet which will mean a healthier retail movement. So far for several months that demand was of small consequence, and as there has been no export demand the jobber has had no opposition in his demand for lower prices. Cooler weather and the election question settled are also regarded as favorable signs. Then, too, the canner who is financially able to carry his surplus is now less willing to sell, as he intends to strain every effort to carry his goods until after the turn of the year. One of the chief causes of the present weakness has been the forced sale of stocks by the canners who have been unable to finance themselves and have been forced to sell some stocks from time to time. There are considerable quantities of rejected goods to be had on spot and lines on which banks have loaned money and now refuse to carry any longer. A stiffer market would check the sale of this class of goods to some extent and prove a strengthening element, as at present such forced sales eliminate the necessity of factory buying to a considerable extent.
No building of any size can now be erected in any large city without adding 10 to 20 per cent. of the cost of the structure for the walking dele-gates-they now call themselves "business agents"-of the various labor unions which expect to be employed on the building. The owner of the Sherman House (Chicago), who added four stories to his building during the summer, was not permitted to proceed with the work until he had turned over $\$ 70,000$ to the union vampires. The Northwestern Railway had to contribute $\$ 250,000$ before it could proceed with its new depot some years ago. The "business agents" of Chicago all become millionaires in ten years.

# Seasonal Sale CITY DAY 

Wednesday, November 17th and Thursday, November 18th.

On these days we will hold a sale of seasonable merchandise and this sale will be characteristic of the sales we have conducted in the past.

The textile market is gradually settling, and the opinion of most experts is that prices are in many cases near or below stabilization pcint. During this sale we will make prices regardless of loss or anything else, because we believe in keeping merchandise moving and that it is better to forego profits or even take actual losses than to allow our volume of sales to shrink. This sale will prove the advisability of buying seasonable merchandise enough to take care of your needs for this Fall and Winter.

A great deal of thought and consideration has been given this event and great care will be taken to prepare for the buyers who attend this sale.

We will positively price our merchandise at prices that will move quantities and this event will be your big opportunity to supply yourselves for Christmas trade and January clearance sales.

Merchandise will be properly displayed and priced so that you can wait on yourselves.

Our dining service will be a prominent feature of the sale, together with music and entertainment. Prepare now to visit us on City Day, November 17th and Thursday, November 18th.

Watch for further announcement.

## GRAND RAPIDS DRY GOODS CO.

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the sale of the assets. Such an arrangement would give the creditors not to exceed The sale of the assets,
25 cents on the iollar
Following is a lis
Following is a list of creditors so far as ascertained:


Sr. C. E. Beeman, Grand Rapids, Mich. Merhandise
Stephen L. Battlett Co.. Boston, Mass... Merchandien Bayer Co., Inc.. W. Kinzie St.. Chicayo. Il. Me


 Brouse \& Hess. 261 Broadway, New York City, Me
Consumers Power Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.
Collate \& Co, 199 Fuiton St., New York City, Toilet Articles Collate \& Co., 199 Fulton St., New York City, Toilet Articles
California Cocolate Shops. 6 th St. Los Angeles Candy
Cosmos Con E. 16th St., New York City, Toilet Articles

 Daggett \& Ramsdell, W. 14th St., New York City, Cold
Detroit White Lead Works. Detroit. Mich., Chemicals The DePree Co.. Holland, 50 W. Randoiph St., Chicago, Merchandise
Fuller Morrison \& Co.. 540 , Folger'sorrand Grand Rapids, Mich., Soft drinks
Foster , Stevens Co., Grand Rapids, Mich, Merchandise
Godwin Corset Shop, Grand Rapis, Mich., Merchandise



 Grand Rapids Savings Drug Co., Grand Rapids, Mich. .r-s.--
Hazeltine \& Perkins
Lee M. Hutchins, Grand Rapids, Mich., expenses as trustee Lee M. Hutchins, Grand Rapids, Mich.; expenses as trustee --...
Herpolsheimer Co., Grand Rapis. Mich, Merchandise
Holton \& Adams. 29 E. 22nd St.. New York City, Toilet Articles
 Jonnson $\&$ Johncon. New Brunswick, New York, Toilet Articles
H. $\&$ Kit

 Mutual Hotei Supply Co. 18 Tremont St., Boston, Mi, Conchandi Manhattan Drug Co.. 51 Warren St.. New York City, Drug Michigan D.
M. E Mahe
Melba Mf. M. E. Mahe.
Melba Mfg.
Miro-Dena.

McKeeson \& Robbins, New
C. W. Mills Paper C. W. Mills Paper Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., Paper
Muir Plumbing Co., Grand Rapids. Mich., Plumbir
M. T. McNamara \& Sons, Grand Rapids.
 Norwich Pharmical Co.. Norwich, N. Y., Drugs
Old National Bank, Grand Papids. Mich. Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich. Cafe charges Porter Shop, Grand Rapids, Mich., Merchandise

 Alont Pick \& Co. Chicago, IIl., Dice and glassware talcums, perfume Park \& Tilford, 529 W .42 nd St., N. Y., Merchandise Park, Davis \& Co., Detroit, Mich., Drugs and Chemicals

 Rindge Krekel Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.. Merchandise -........ J. A. Rigby Cigar Condy Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.. Candy
Rosdale Che............................ Paul Steketee \& Sons, Grand Rapids, Mich., Merchandise …............... Alfred H. Smith Co.i. 13 W. 34th St., New York City, Merchandise Schnefel Bros.,
Sethness Co., 18 Curtis St., Chicago, III., Candy
Frederick Stearns \& Co., Detroit, Mich., Merchandise
C. A. Scheufler, 106 Mich. St., Grand Rapids, Mich., Merchandise C. A. Scheufler, 106 Mich. St., Grand Grand Rapids, Mich., Fruit
Abe Schefman \& Co., 22 Ionia Ave.,
Udell Printing Service, Grand Rapids, Mich., Printing, Udell Printing Service, Grand Rapids,
V. Vivaudou, 41 W. 25 th St., New York City, To
Vinkemulder \& Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., Fruit Vinkemulder \& Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., Fruit Walkover Boot Shop, Grand Rapids, Mich., Merchandis Wurzburg's, Grand Rapids, Mich., Merchandise - Co. Glastonbury, Conn., Merchandise J. B. Williams Co., Glastonbury, Conn., Merchandise
The Wahl Co., 1800 Roscoe St., Chicago, Ill., Pencils She Wahl Co., 1800 Roscoe St. Chicago, M., Pencls
Stephen Whitman \& Sons, Philadelphia, Pa., Candy The World Dispensary, Buffalo, N. Y., Drugs --- Bottle Western Bottle Mfg. Co., Randolph St, Chicago, Bottles -.......
Wynne Paper Co. 318 W. 39th St., New York City, Merchandise Edw. Wesley \& Co., Cincinnati, O., Merchandise Materials W. T. Welch, Paw Paw, Mich., Grape juice -.................... Woodhouse Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., Cgiars and Tobaceo -and Rapids, Mich., Groceries and Tobacco X Cigar Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., Cigars
Elizabeth Young, Grand Rapids, Mich., Merchandise

## Plea For Larger Membership For M.

 S. P. A.$\qquad$ Grand Rapids, Nov. 2-It was said of a certain war-worker by George
Ade that he was in the Y. M. C. A Ade that he was in the Y. M. C. A., not because he was a young man, nor
much of a Christian, but that as an much of a Christian, but that as an associator he was a howling success. And while 1 do not wish to accuse any druggist of nor much less of not being a Chreat still I think that there are a great many good associators in the drug fraternity. They will join an association for the Feeding of Homless Dogs or any other worthy cause if approached on the subject. Still many Pharmaceutical Association, the Association that represents their own cause. For this many a druggist is not to blame. He is a very busy man his attention, he will continue to put his attention, he will continue to put his money only in the societies that he is solicited upon. This is the very reason why he should it his financial Association and give it his other way and moral support. By no other way
than having a majority of the retail than having a majority of the retanl Aruggists of the state in the service be given Association can the service be given this nature should render.
There is no reason why any druggist should not belong to the Michigan State Pharmaceutical Association. me smaller than the Association has saved him several times, although he may not be aware of it, The time it takes to send the money to the Sec retary is a great deal less than the mount of time the Association has
saved him several times over, alsaved he may not know of this. It is either ignorance just neglect on his part.
On the other hand, there are many easons why every retail druggist should join the Michigan State Phar maceutical Association. The main You don't need fire insurance until fire comes, yet you keep up your in fure comes, yo this surance biness to do so. But you need good business to do so. be time nee it is is good business that you should have job watching out for your interests job watching out for your interests a small extent, least your share of the burden, Then it is also a matof the burden. Then it is also a mould ter of personal pride. You should take pride in the strength of your own organization and Were the reasons why you should join all enumerated here, the editor would have to refuse to publish this. publication for lack of room. Membership in the Michigan State Pharmaceutical Association also brings you a subscription to the journal that is issued jointly by the State and Detroit associations. It is a
breezy little journal, full of peppy breezy little journal, full of peppy
little items about druggists throughlittle items about druggists throughout the State and you will like it; al-
so it prints the legal items and keeps you informed on that subject.
Now don't wait until to-morrow, but send a check for $\$ 2$ to the Secretary to-day for dues to carry you to Dec. 31, 1921. Do it before the next
stamp customer comes in. You will

## The 1920 Holiday Line

Remember, the actual Holiday Season is just coming on. People are just beginning to buy. Now that election is over, all of us can come back to normal again. Temporarily unsettled conditions are beginning to adjust themselves. There will be a job for every man who will give an honest day's work for a day's wage. Watch for the flood of bryers. We are in a position to take care of your needs. Our merchandise is staple all the year round. Come to see us and sort up for Xmas.

## Hazeltine \& Perkins Drug Co.

 Grand Rapids, Michiganfind his address at the foot of this letter. Ottawa avenue and Mason
Cor. street.

A Big Increase For Beads.
This is said to be the biggest bead season ever known. One of the large import and export houses York City which deals largely in both real and imitation beads has a $\$ 50$, 000 stock of one line of beads alone The new bakelite, which has all the fine qualities of amber or real Whit by jet and comes in amber, black and other colors as well as red, is going strong. Beads of this material gain in luster and beauty with wear and are practically indestructible. They are not inexpensive for, from a few dollars a string, they range up to $\$ 30$ odd for large cut beads. The real amber in that quality, however, would cost $\$ 200$. An amber-colored string not only looks like real amber, but feels like it and upsets an old-time test of real amber for when rubbed on wool it will pick up paper, which only the real was supposed to do
Detroit Alarmed at Loss of Workers. Alarmed at reports that high rents and living costs are driving workingmen and their families from Detroit by thousands, the Detroit Board o Commerce is about to make an in vestigation with a view to curbing the exodus, if it is possible. A thorough canvass of the city and its manufac turing plants will be made. estimated that people have been leaving Detroit at the rate of 10,000 monthly for the last four months, while newcomers arriving total only ,000 monthly.

## CANDY



The "DOUBLE A" Kind
Made by
People Who Know How
Our record of over fifty years of continuous growing business, not only in Michigan but all over the United States, speaks for itself.
You take no chances when you buy "Double A" Brand.


Made in Grand Rapids"by NATIONAL CANDY CO. PUTNAM FACTORY Grand Rapids, Michigan

Ask for a copy of our latest price list.
We are agents for LOWNEY'S in Western Michigan. line is made especially for automobiles. It will deliver all the power your engine is capable of developing. It starts quickly, it accelerates smoothly, it will run your car at the least cost per mile, and it is easily procurable everywhere you go.

Standard Oil Company (Indiana)
Chicago, Ill.

Wholesale Drug Price Current


## GROCERY PRICE CURRENT

These quotations are carefully corrected weekly, within six hours of mailing, and are intended to be correct at time of going to press. Prices, however, are liable to change at any time, and country merchants will have their orders filled at market prices at date of purchase.


25 1b. pails, per doz. 2510 Jennings' Condensed Peart | Jennings Condensed Pearl |
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| Small, 3 doz. box |
| Large, 2 doz. box ---- 270 | BREAKFAST FOODS

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Quaker Corn Flakes Ralston Purina
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Ralston Food, Ralston Food, small


Kellogg's Brands Toasted Corn Flakes 410 Individual ---------
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Stanard Parlor ${ }^{23}$ lb. 57 Ex. Fancy Parlor 25 ib. 950 BRUSHES
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Dandelion, ${ }^{25 \mathrm{c}}$ size ${ }^{\text {size }} 28$
Perfection, per doz.
1 CANDLES
Paraffine,
Paraffine,
125

3 lb . Standards
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10 $3 \mathrm{lb} . \begin{gathered}\text { Blackberries } \\ \text { standards }\end{gathered}$

Brown Beans-Baked Brown Beauty, No. 21
Campbell, No.




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$\underset{\text { Clam }}{\text { Burnham's } 7 \text { Bouillon }} 1250$

 Maine ---------- Hominy | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Hominy } \\ \text { Van Camp } \\ \text { Fanville }\end{array}$ | 160 |
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 California, Plums ${ }^{\text {No }} 3$-.-- 240 Pears in Syrup
Michigan
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4 $4^{4} 60$
 Peaches

 | Pineapple |
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| Grated, No. 2 |
| Slice No. 2 Extra---- | Pumpkin Van Camp, No. $3,-160$

Van Camp, No. $10 .{ }^{4} 60$
Lake Shore, No. $3--125$
Vesper, No. 10 .



CHOCOLATE | Caracas |
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| Premium, |
| Paker |
| $1 / 4 \mathrm{~s}$ or |
| $1 / 2 \mathrm{~s}$ | Walter, M. Lowney Co. 50

Premium, $1 /$ s
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Gold Stand, 50 s -10000
Mungo Park, Gold Stand, 25s -10500
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 Presidents, 50s ----- La Azora Lines
 Royal Lancer Line
Favorita, 50 s .
Imperiales,
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Sanchez \& Haya Lines Havana Cigars made in
Tampa, Fla.


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| Silver | Fleece, | No. |

 Dunbar, 1 1/2 s doz. | Standard, No. 2 --...-- |
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Made in Tampa, Fla. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Delicades, } 50 \mathrm{~s} \\ & \text { Primeros. } \\ & 50 \mathrm{~s}\end{aligned}-----12000$ Starlight Bros. La Rose De Paris Line
Caballeros, 50 s ..... 7000
Rouse 50 s .
 R. B. Rosenthas Bros. R. Tissue Wrapped ${ }^{\text {B }}$ Invincible, 50 , 60 R. B. Invincible, 50 s,
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Frank P. Lewis Brand Frank P. Lewis Brands
Lewis Single Binder,
50 ,
Union in foil) --- 5800 Union Made Brands
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El Dependo, 100 - - ---Other Brands
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DECLINED
Tapioca
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CLOTHES LINE Hemp, 50 ft.
Twisted Cotion, 50 ft.
Twisted Cotton, $60 \mathrm{ft}$.
Braided, 50 ft.
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## EVAPORATED MILK

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Royal
French Creams
Auto Kisses Kalties Auto Kisses (baskets)
Bonnie Butter Bites Bonnie Butter Bites
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Caramel Bon Bons
Caramel Croquettes Coramel Croquettes-

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## Fu Fu Cha Ra

 Fudge, Walnut Choc. 38Champion Champion Gum Drops ${ }^{\text {Raspberry Gum Drops }} 3$ Raspberry Gum Drops 30
Iced Orange Jellies -- 32
Italian Bon Bons Itedian Bon Bons
AA Licorice Drops 5 lb box
Manchus
Nut But
Nut Butter Puffs
Snow Flake Fudge -- 34

## Assorted Chocolate

 ChampionHoneysuckle --...Honeysuckle Chips
Klondike Chocolates_ Klondike Chocolates_
Nabobs
Nibble Sticks, box Nut Wafers
Ocoro Choc. Caramels Ocoro Choc. Carame
Peanut Clusters Quintett
Regina

Gum Drops
Favorite
Savorite
Superior
Orange
or Jellies
Lozenges
A A Pep. Lozenges - 35
A A Pink Lozenges 35
A Choc. Lozenges 35
Motto Lozenges
Motto Hearts ------ 37

## Hard Goods

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## DRIED FRUITS

Evap'ed, Choice, blk .- 15 | Apricots |
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| Evaporated, Choice |
| Evaporated, Fancy | 10 lb Citron Currants

Packages, 15 oz.
Boxes, Bulk, per 1b.--- 22

## Evap. Choice, Unpeeled 24

 Evap. Fancy, Unpeeled 26
## Peel

| Lemon, American |
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| Orange, American | Raisins

Fancy S'ded, 1 lb . pkg. $251 / 2$
Thompson Seedless Thompson Seedless,
1 lb. pkg. Thompson Seedless,

California Prunes 80-90 25 lb. boxes .-.


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Farina
251 lb. packages
Bulk, per 100 lbs.
Hominy
Pearl, 100 lb . sack 550

Domestic, 10 lb . box 110 Domestic, brkn bbls. $81 / 2$


Pearl Barley
Chester -------------- 600 Scotch, lb.

East India Sago Tapioca
Pearl, 100 lb. sacks $-\quad 81 / 2$
Minute, 8 oz., 3 doz. 435
Dromedary Instant, 3

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Linen Lines Small, per 100 yards 665

Medium, per 100 yards 725 | Floats |  |  |
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| No. | $11 / 2$, per gross |  |
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 Van Duzer Vanilla, Lemon, Almond, Strawberry, Raspberry,
Pineapple, Peach, Coffee, Pineapple, Peach, Coffee, $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce in eartons 4 ounce in cartons Pints FLOUR AND FEED Lily White, $1 / 8$ Paper 135 Graham 25 lb. per ewt 550
Golden Granulated Meal, Golden Granulated Meal,
25 lbs. per cwt.
90 Rowena Pancake Compound, 5 lb. sack --
Buckwheat 90
5 lb. sack Watson Higgins Milling New Perfection, 1/ss 1310 \($$
\begin{array}{lll}\begin{array}{lll}\text { Gr. Grain M. Co. }\end{array}
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|  Golden  |  |
|  Granulated  | 5 | \& 80\end{array} Wheat No. 1 Red

No. 1 White ------------- 2
2 Michigan Carlots
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Less than Carlots --
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30 00 Feed Street Car Feed $-2{ }^{48} 00$
No. 1 Corn \& Oat 4800
Cracked Corn - -4800
Coarse Corn Meal -- 4800 FRUIT JARS Mason, pts., per gro. $8{ }^{8} 75$
Mason, qts., per gro. 1000 Mason, $1 / 2$ gal., gross 1425
Mason, can tops, gro. 285
Ideal Glass Top, pts. 1000 Ideal Glass Top,
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gallon
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## GELATINE



 Fine
Market dull and neglected.


Airline, No. 10 ---.-- 4
Airline, No. 15
Airline, No. 25 Per HORSE RADISH

JELLY
Pure, per pail, 30 lb .625
JELLY GLASSES
MAPLEINE
1 oz . bottles, per doz. 175
2 oz . bottles, per doz. 300


## MINCE MEAT

None Such, 3 doz.
case for
Quaker, 3 doz. case
$\begin{gathered}\text { case for } \\ \text { Quaker, } 3 \text { doz. case } \\ \text { for }\end{gathered} 500$


NUTS-Whole Almonds, Terragona 35
Brazils, large washed Brazils, large washed 26 Fancy Mixed
Filberts, Barcelona
Peanuts, Virginia raw 16 Peanuts, Virginia raw 16
Peanuts, Virginia,
roasted, 18
Peanuts, Spanish -- 25
Walnuts, California -- 39
Walnuts, French


## OLIVES

Bulk, 2 gal. kegs, each 450
Bulk, 5 gal. kegs each 1050
Suluffed, 4 oz. Stuffed, 15 oz. ---------- 480
Pitted (not stuffed)
14 Manzanilla, 8 oz. -Manzanina,
Lunch, 10 oz.
Lunch, 16 oz. Queen, Mammoth, 19
oz.
Queen, Mammoth, 28 oz. Chew,
Olive doz. cs.
per doz.

## PEANUT BUTTER



Bel-Car-Mo Brand

2 doz, in lb. pails

2 doz. in case .-
$\qquad$ , 6 in crate


\section*{| PICKLES |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Medium |  |
| Barrel, 1,200 count _- | 16 |} | Barrels Small | 20 | 00 |
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| Half barrels |  |  |
| 5 gallon kegs ------------- | 11 | 00 | | Gherkins |  |  |
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| Barrels |  |  |
| Half barrels | 28 | 00 |
| 5 gallon kegs --.-------- | 15 | 00 |

##  5 gallon kegs ----------- 650

## PIPES

Cob, 3 doz. in box -1

PLAYING CARDS | No. 90 Steamboat $-\ldots-275$ |
| :--- |
| No. 808, Bicycle ---- | POTASH

Babbitt's, 2 doz. ---- 275 PROVISIONS Barreled Pork $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Clear Back } \\ \text { Short Cut Clear } & 38 & 37 & 00 @ 4200 \\ 00\end{array}$ Pig Dry Salt Meats
S P Bellies -- $3200 @ 3400$


Beef
Boneless ---- $3000 @ 3500$
Rump, new -- $4000 @ 4200$


Mince Meat
nsed No. 1 car. 200
nsed Bakers brick 31

Tripe
Kits, 15 lbs SHOE BLACKING



Flue Rose ----------------
ROLLED OATS
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Monarch, bbls. } & 840 \\ \text { Rolled Avena, bbls. } & 900\end{array}$ Steel Cut, 100 lb . Sks. 600
Monarch, 90 lb . Sacks 430 Muaker, 18 Regular -- 280
Quaker, 20 Family -- 685

SALAD DRESSING Columbia, $1 / 2$ pints -222
Columbia, 1 pint $-{ }^{2} 00$
Durkee's large, 1 doz. 705 Durkee's large, 11 doz. 700
Durkee's med., 2 doz. 765
Durkee's Picnic, 2 dz. 650 Durkee's Picnic,
Snider's large, 1 dz.
Snider's
Small,
2 ${ }^{2}$ doz. 1400

SALERATUS
Packed 60 lbs. in box

Arm and Hammer Wyandotte, $100 \quad 3 / 4 \mathrm{~s}-\mathrm{S}_{2}^{3} 75$ | SAL SODA |
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| $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Granulated, bbls. } & \\ \text { Granulated, } & 100 & \text { lbs es } & 50 \\ \text { Granulated, } & 36 & 21 / 2 & \mathrm{lb} .\end{array}$ | Granulated,

packages $\begin{array}{llll}36 & 21 / 2 & \text { lb. } & 90\end{array}$
 Medium, Fine ---- -300


## 1/2 bbl Lake Herring



80 can cases, $\$ 4.80$ per case


SPICES



Tradesman Company
Black Hawk, one box 450
Black Hawk, Black Hawk, one box 450
Black Hawk, fixe bxs 425
Hen bxs 400 Box contains 72 cakes. It
is ${ }^{2}$ most remarkable dirt and grease remover with-
out injury to the skin. Scouring Powders
Sapolio, gross
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 Washing Powders


Soap Powders

 Rub-No-More ------- 5 50

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Pekoe, Medium
Dr. Pekoe, Choice-- $40 @ 45$
Flowery O. P. Fancy $55 @ 60$ - TWINE TWINE
Cotton, 3 ply cone
Cotton, 3 ply balls
Wool, 6 ply

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 | Window Cleaners |  |  |
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| 16 in. | 1 |  | 5 in . Butter

7 in . Butter
9 in. Butter

WRAPPING PAPER Fibre, Manila, white 19
No. I Fibre, $\quad 9$
Fibre, Manila, white $101 / 2$
Butchers Manila $-121 / 2$
Kraft YEAST CAKE Magic, 3 doz. ----.--- 270 Sunlight, 3 doz.-...-- 270
Sunlight, $11 / 2$ doz.
Yeast
Foam, 35
Yoz.---
2 70

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## STARCH Corn Kingsford, $40 \mathrm{lbs} . \quad 111 / 2$ Muzzy, 48 1 $\mathrm{b} . \operatorname{pkgs.} 91 / 2$ Powdered, barrels Mrgo, 481 lb . pkgs.

 KingsfordSilver Gloss, $4011 \mathrm{lb} .111 / 4$

 | Argo, 5 lb, pkgs. |
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| Silver Gloss, 16 |
| Silver Gloss, |
| Sill | 48

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$71 / 2$ SYRUPS
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Half Barrels
 Trojan Mop Sticks Eclipse patent spring 3
No. 1 common No. 2, pat. prush hold ${ }_{3}^{3}$ $200 z$ cotton mop heads 4
$120 z$ cotton mop heads 2


Butter Plates
Escanaba Manufacturing Standard Emco Dishes Oo. 8-50 extra sm cart 145
o. $8-50$ small carton 155 $8-50$ md'm carton 1
$8-50$ large carton 1 $\begin{array}{lll}8-50 & \text { extra lg cart } 2 & 40 \\ 4-50 \\ \text { jumbo carton } 165\end{array}$ Churns
Barrel, 5 gal., each $-{ }^{2} 40$

Barrel, 10 gal. each -- 255 | Barrel, 10 gal . each -- | 255 |
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| Stone, | 5 gal. |
| Stone, 6 | gal. | Clothes Pins

Escanaba Manufacturing | 60-24, Co. Wrapped | -- | 95 |
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Gabby Gleanings From Grand Rapids. Grand Rapids, Nov. 2-James Postma, formerly salesman for the Voigt Milling Co., has accepted a similar position with the Russell-Miller Milling Co., Minneapolis, covering Western Michigan for the W. S. Canfield Flour Co., selling Occident Flour. The writer is in a position to furnish employment to two shoe salesmen in Southern Michigan territory. Compensation is on the usual commission basis, with a drawg aceont John A. Hach, the veteran shoe salesman of Coldwater, has gone to Florida for the winter.

Uncle Louie Winternitz is now in Dansville. Ill., visiting his nephew Walter T. Spitz, who was once employed on the Tradesman. Next week Mr . Winternitz will proceed to Ft .
Meyer. Florida, where he will spend Meyer, Florida, where he will spend the winter
The complaint forwarded by the Board of Trade and Transportation o New York to certain railroad lines whose Pullman ticket offices are un der suspicion, may or may not resul in a cessation of graft. Having had occasion to make a number of hurry up night trips during the last few months out of Columbus, Ohio, ove the Pennsylvania lines, we were twice caught without Pullman reservations On the first occasion we swallowed our disappointment and suffered in silence. The second time it happened we became suspicious, deserted the crowded day coach and made our way to the Chicago sleeper. Depositing a dollar in the hand of the porter, we suggested our sad situation to him I'll fix you up, boss, soon as the conductor comes," he said. Like Mary's little lamb, we lingered patiently about, and then got our reward-a lower berth. Two other men got similar favors. The curious fact was that a wire query twelve hours be fore the train started brought the reply that the Chicago car was "all sold out." It may indeed have been but the New York organization has evidence that convinces it of collusion between Pullman offices, conductors and porters to make extra fees by holding up lower berths for lat lar or two extra rather than sit up all night. It is also said that excessive fares are collected frequenty picious patrons of the roads. Noth ing is more offensive to a traveler than that sort of thing. It is time to set traps for a lot of thieving profit eers nested at big railroad stations over the country
The New York Commercial recently reproduced one of the full page ad vertisements of the Worden Grocer Company which appeared in the Tradesman a few weeks ago, commending both the letter and spirit of the announcement.
The MacSimbar Paper Co., at Otsego, has 9,000 tons of soft coal on hand and has 35,000 tons additional purchased and in transit. The company furnishes its own employes coal at cost, plus expense of delivery, which is greatly appreciated by the men.
Thomas B. Carlile (Worden Grocer Company) left Saturday for a week's duck hunting on Houghton Lake.
Lake. D. Alton, the Fremont druggist has so far recovered from his recent illness as to resume his place in the store. His knees are still a little shaky, but his general health is excellent. The doctors have not yet been able to agree on the cause of his long illness
Charles E. Belknap has been secured to conduct the Armistice day parade in Grand Rapids Nov. 11. This is a sure indication that the parade will be successful, in keeping with the occasion
The Shoe Dealers Mutual Fire In surance Company was the first company to adjust and pay a loss as the result of the recent $\$ 200,000$ fire at Dowagiac.

The Michigan Association of Trav-
eling Lumber \& Sash \& Door Salesmen has decided to hold its annual meeting in Grand Rapids, Feb. 3 and 4 in connection with the annual convention of the Michigan retailers. The annual gathering is one of the big events of the winter season among Michigan lumbermen, and great interest is attached to plans for the convention. Application for membership in the association at the average rate of one a day are being received. The total enrollment is now 276 .
Never make a decision when you are downhearted. Never let the weak side of your nature take control.
What is suicide? It requires no definition to make the meaning of the word clear simply as a voluntary act But theologically one may take one' life without committing suicide, a no less distinguished authority than the Pope himself declares. Discussing the MacSwiney case Benedict is re ported as saying that the Irish Mayor was dying not because it was his desire to die but because his deat would be the consequence of the only course his conscience permits him take. So the oft-argued question "I take so the oft-argued question, "Is suicide ever justifiable? may be circumstances does self-destruction circums to be suicide?" The manction cease to be suicide? The man with the incurable, slow and agonizing diseating up his surplus and whose fam ily will be left in want if he drag along a year or two may now find his a year or two, may now find his way out into the silent sea of the inexpensive future without leaving the stigma of suicide on his nam
Pope's decision is accepted
Cooper-Wells \& Co, hosiery manu facturers, St. Joseph, recently tender facturers, St. Joseph, recently tendered their tenth annual banquet to salesJoseph. Plates were set for thirty loseph. Plates were set for thirty
seven. and after an elaborate and en

## SAUERS'S

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joyable dinner, speeches and good fellowship were the rule. Plans were laid for next year's campaigns, and salesmen who had made exceptionally good records throughout 1920 were lauded. Sidney Smith, cartoonist of the Chicago Tribune, and creator of the famous pair, "Andy" and "Min Gump," gave a chalk talk in which the characters underwent the usual travail of their daily home life. This feature was particularly enjoyable. O. J. Brooks, of Cooper-Wells \& Co., was toastmaster of the evening. The Hotel Whitcomb orchestra played selections. Gatherings such as this are bound to stimulate loyalty and camaraderie among the workers and executives of a firm, and are to be commended.
John G. Young, jeweler at River dale, will add a line of drugs. The Hazeltine \& Perkins Drug Co. has the order for the stock
The Worden Grocer Company is getting material on the ground for a two-story addition to that part of it building now occupied by the Toledo Plate Glass Co. The added room will give the corporation 28 , 000 feet argumented floor space.
J. F. Hall, of Toledo, District repre-
sentative of the Weber Flour Mills, sentative of the Weber Flour Mills, Salina, Kansas, is in the city attend ing the State baker's convention.

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MICHIGAN

The Ethics and Prudence of Welching.
Kansas City of argument let it be said that it may of argument
be true, in the final analysis, that a wholes the retail merchant, so far as the observance of the sanctity of a the observance of the sanctity of a
contract per se is concerned. In contract per se is concerned.
genealogy there is little difference getween them and in many instances a wholesale grocer is simply a retai grocer grown up. In common parlance they are the same breed of cats. From the standpoint of consanguinity one should be as honest as the other:
It is said that all the contracts of this world which are broken is because the interests they contain tend to favor one side only. Therefore, in the first place, all contracts should be fair to both parties, for the law says that in a contract each party thereto acquires a right to what the other promises. It is needless to deny the fact that there are jobbers here and there who make it a practice to endeavor to wiggle out of contracts which go against them, just as there are some canners, for instance, who fail to respect their contracts when it is to their advantage to do so. But the recent slump in sugar we saw applied the acid test of the moral stamina of the jobbers as a whole, and they withstood it to their everlasting credit and glory, refusing to even question their contracts because they realized their moral obligation even though there might have been a legal loophole through which they could creep, for they believed in the integri-
ty of the refiners who entered into the ty of the refiners who
With the retail trade they, too, have those among them who respect a contract of purchase and sale. But there are vastly more of them than there centage of welchers is greater. Many of them, in the first place, sign a contract for futures with a mental reservation and with their fingers crossed. and when a retail grocer places a good order for futures with his jobbers he is quite apt to look upon it as a distinct favor conferred, which it is to a certain extent. Then he thinks that irrespective of the signed contract which is always urged upon him on the plea that he will benefit and not lose in the transaction, that the jobber, for trade reasons, should protect him, and his strongest and most effective argument, and the one that throws the fear of God into the jobber's heart, is the threat that unless desired cancellation is granted he will withdraw his business and never buy another dollar's worth of goods of the jobber.
Unfair, unjust, illegal and altogether reprehensible as it may be it is the long pole which is used by all the weichers and which brings down the persimmons. This potent argument checks the ardor of the jobber and causes him to take his medicine even under the most violent protest. Moreover, a carload of goods which represents a single transaction with a jobber aggregating the respectable sum of $\$ 6,000$ to $\$ 15,000$, is split up by him into fifty or perhaps more contracts among his trade. To invoke the law means a bunch of lawsuits, a lot of expense He thus finds himself thrown expeck to depend solely upon an absoback to depend sole map abligation which compell to surior to 1 l gal obligation and with greater binding force.
So, after all, it simmers down to a question of a man's honor and business integrity, and if a man elects with deliberation to repudiate his contracts for the reason that the market has declined and to dishonestly shift his loss to the shoulders of the jobber who contracted for the goods to protect his orders in hand, then it is either a lawsuit or an exposure of the fact that such a man is unworthy of credit or consideration. And as far as I can see it, the latter is by far
the worst penalty. If instead of vacil-
lating, the jobber would stand flatfooted and without making a single exception refuse to accept a single cancellation, there would be no cancellations. $\qquad$ Harry Sloan
Items From the Cloverland of MichiSault Ste. Marie, Nov. 1-George Bayliss, the popular salesman for the Soo Hardware Co. here, has been transferrd to Marquette, where he is in charge of the copper country territory. He expects to move his family there in the near future. Mr. Bayliss is considered one of the most popular salesmen on the road and a general favorite with the trade. When his old friends from this part of Cloverland call on him they are given a hearty welcome and also the use of
his old reliable 4 cylinder car to take in the points of interest, of which there are many in the vicinity of Marquette.
The Farm Bureau will open a business office here in the near future lock, Ridge street. Arthur G. Bailey, block, Ridge street. Arthur G. Bariey, will be the manager. From indications this Farm Bureau will be a busy institution, as several hundreds of farmers have been added to the memfarmers have been added to the memis a considerable quantity of hay and other produce for shipment.
Arthur J. Passmore, of the Brimley State Bank, àt Brimley, was married last week to Miss Elizabeth Jensen, also of Brimley. The young couple also of Brimley. The young couple are very popular at Brimley and also
here at the Soo where the groom is well and favorably known being a brother of A. H. Passmore, of the firm of Passmore \& Paquin. After firm extended wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Passmore will make their home at Brimley. Their many friends wish them a bright and prosperous future. The police are determined to try and put a stop to the borrowing of cars parked on the street at night, and for this offense, the borrower draws 30 days, in addition to damages done. Captain and Mrs. Charles Ripley celebrated their golden wedding last Thursday. Many of their old time friends here called on them. Among friends here called the reception was those who attended the reception was Rev. T.R. Easterday, who performed the bridal ceremony fifty years ago.
Mr. and Mrs. Ripley have lived in the Soo practically all of this time and have made a large circle of friends and good wishes. and good wishes.
George Baldwin, Secretary of the Edison Sault Electric Co., went "courting" for a few days last week
at Marguette. rette.

William G. Tapert.
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## WHAT THREE DOLLARS BUYS

It costs $\$ 3$ for fifty two issues of the Michigan Tradesman, if the subscription is payable strictly in advance.

The fifty-two issues are not all the subscriber receives for his $\$ 3$. He gets with this payment service and obtains protection which is frequently worth a hundred times the subscription price.

Taking the Peerless Talking Machine swindle, for instance. If the Tradesman had not jumped into the fray and championed the interest of the merchant, 141 merchants who had been inveigled into signing promissory notes under the impression that they were applying for agency contracts would have been mulched to the tune of $\$ 315$ to $\$ 1,260$ each, altogether amounting to more than $\$ 111$, 000 . Because the Tradesman got in touch with the situation in the early stages of the game, denounced the swindle in unmeasured terms and warned the merchants not to pay the notes they had signed under false pretenses and false representations, it saved its readers there $\$ 111,000$, because the machines would have been very unsalable and would have been objects of detestation by the merchants every time they looked at them on account of their associations.
This is but one of many services the Tradesman has rendered its friends in trade during the past thirty-eight years-services which it expects to repeat in tenfold measure as the years go on.
No greater service has been rendered the trade by the Tradesman than in inducing the retail merchants of the State to transfer their fire insurance from stock to mutual companies. This has not only resulted in a saving of 25 to 50 per cent. of the cost of insurance, but it has resulted in prompt and honorable adjustments of all losses in the event of fire and enabled the Tradesman to eliminate many arbitrary, unjust and dishonest features rigidly insisted upon by the stock company autocrats and cheerfully waived by the mutual companies when the unfairness of such features was plainly presented to them.
Any subscriber to the Tradesman is welcome to send his insurance policies to the Tradesman for inspection and analysis. Most of the stock policies now written by local agents are clearly illegal and the same is true of an occasional mutual policy. No charge is ever made for this service, valuable as it may prove to be to the insured in the event of his meeting a loss by fire.

## General Conditions in Wheat and Flour.

Written for the Tradesman
The sentiment among the trade, both grain dealers and flour buyers, is changing somewhat. Many believe flour and wheat is selling about as cheaply as they will during the balance of the crop year

The change in sentiment has been brought about by the attitude of farmers to hold their wheat for higher prices, by heavier selling of wheat for export and by reduction in crop
promise; in other words, the spring wheat crop has been reduced from $237,000,000$ busirels to $218,000,000$ by Government reports.

Crop reports from Argentine are less favorable. Indications are now they will harvest approximately 185 ,000,000 bushels of wheat the coming January, against $214,000,000$ bushels a year ago, leaving $120,000,000$ bushels for export from Argentine next year against $187,000,000,000$ bushels this year. Late cables from Russia indicate that previous information to the- effect Russia would be able to export wheat was incorrect and without foundation. In other words, this propaganda was used by the bears to depress values.
The Russian crop as near as can be estimated is approximately 132 ,000,000 bushels, which is not more than half enough to supply their home requirements, which are supposed to be about $273,000,000$ bushels. This means that Russia at the present time is an importing nation instead of an exporting and that her wheat yields must be brought up around $300,000,000$ bushels before she will be able to ship either wheat or flour.

Another favorable factor for livelier trading in flour is the change in the differentials between flour and wheat ocean rates. Until just recently 25 c per cwt. more has been charged for flour than for wheat for export, which policy, of course, caused Europe to buy wheat instead of flour. In fact, this un-American policy developed flour milling industry in Great Britain and has seriously affected the American milling industry. As a matter of fact, American mills have not operated more than 50 per cent. of the time on this crop; a large number of mills have been running on a 25 per cent. basis, for with export business practically destroyed by unfair ocean rates coupled with the light domestic demand, it was out of the question to sell enough flour to run a greater amount of the time than indicated by above statement

There have been quite large shipments of wheat made to Brazil and wheat and flour to North Africa re cently. Of course, while the volume of business done in either instance was not very heavy, the sentimental effect was bullish; in fact, a great many conservative dealers, both in flour and grain, feel it unwise to go short of either at the present time; that prices are more liable to advance somewhat than decline. One of the biggest bears on this crop is now advising the trade to buy flour, and should business develop in fair volume, somewhat higher prices are almost certain.

The acreage of wheat sown this fall is smaller than a year ago, and up until just recently the soil has been too dry to permit the proper growth. However, recent rains and cooler weather have improved conditions materially; the growth will be stimulated and Hessian Fly activity retarded. Marketing from farmers is on a more restricted basis, and with coarse grains as low as they should go; in fact, really below the cost of production, it is very improbable that much, if any, lower prices on
wheat will prevail in the immediate future.
However, it is not the purpose of these articles to urge the trade to buy wheat or flour, or not to buy, but to state the conditions existing in grain and flour markets and give expression to the sentiment gathered from the trade.
The flour buyer's attention is directed to the change in sentiment at the present time, and it appears advisable to have immediate requirements covered and should any breaks develop to buy for thirty to sixty days' requirements on those breaks.

Lloyd E. Smith.
Review of the Produce Market.
Apples-The market is still weak and unsatisfactory. Tallman Sweets, $\$ 1.25$; Wagners and Baldwins, $\$ 1.35$; Northern Spys, \$1.40@1.50; Snows and Jonathans, $\$ 1.60$.
Butter-Local jobbers hold extra creamery at 56 c and firsts at 54 c . Prints 2 c per 1 b . additional. Jobbers pay 30 c for packing stock.
Beets-65c per bu.
Cabbage- 60 c per bu. and $\$ 1.50$ per bbl.

## Carrots-75c per bu.

Celery-40c per bunch.
Chestnuts-Ohio or Michigan, 30c per 1 b .

Cider-Fancy commands 25@30c per gal.

Cocoanuts- $\$ 1.20$ per doz. or $\$ 9$ per sack of 100 .

Crab Apples- $\$ 3$ per bu. for Hy slops.
Cranberries-Early Blacks from Cape Cod command $\$ 10.50$ per bbl. and $\$ 5.50$ per half bbl.
Cucumbers - Illinois hot house $\$ 2.50$ per doz.
Eggs-Jobbers pay 65 c f. o. b. ship ping point for fresh candled, including cases. Storage operators are feeding out their April and May eggs on the following basis:
Candled Extras
Candled Seconds 55 c

Checks 49c

Egg Plant- $\$ 1.50$ per doz.
Grapes-Table grapes command $\$ 2.50 @ 3$ per bu.; wine grapes fetch \$1.50@2. California stock has come in this week and sells as follows: Tokays, $\$ 3.50$; Emperors, $\$ 4$.
Grape Fruit-\$5.75@6 for all sizes Florida stock.
Grape Juice- $\$ 1.25$ per gal. in bulk. Green Onions-Sharlotts, $\$ 1.50$ per doz.

Lemon-Extra fancy California sell as follows:
 270 size, per box 6.50

240 size, per box --------------- 6.00
Fancy Californias sell as follows
300 size, per box ---------------\$6.00
270 size, per box ------------------------6.00

Lettuce-12c per 1b. for leaf; Iceberg, $\$ 6.50$ per crate.
Lima Beans-20c per qt.
Onions-Spanish, $\$ 2.75$ per crate; home grown in 100 lb . sacks, $\$ 1.25 @$ 1.50 for either yellow or red.

## Oranges-Fancy California Valen-

 cia now sell as follows:100
126 -------------------------------- 12.00
150 -------------------------------12.00
176 ---------------------12.0



324 --------------------------------10. 10
Parsley-50c per doz. bunches.
Parsnips- $\$ 1.50$ per bu.
Pears-Kieffer's, 75c per bu.
Peppers-Red, 30c per doz.; Green, $\$ 1.75$ per bu.
Pickling Onions- $\$ 1.50$ per box of 16 lbs .

Potatoes-Home grown, \$1@1.25 per bu.
Poultry-Local dealers pay as follows for live: Fowls, either spring or old, 18@24c; Turks, 25c; Geese, 15c; Ducks, 20@22c.
Pumpkin- $\$ 1.50$ per doz.
Quinces- $\$ 2.50 @ 2.75$ per bu.
Rabbits-Local handlers pay 15 c per 1 b .
Radishes-Hot house, large bunch es, 20 c per doz.
Squash-Hubbard, $\$ 1.75$ per 100 lbs .
Sweet Potatoes-Virginias command $\$ 1.85$ per 50 lb . hamper and $\$ 4.75$ per bbl.

## Turnips-60c per bu

Florida Bee Keepers to Advertise.
Bee keeping on a large scale is now under consideration in Florida and plans are on foot to launch an advertising campaign to dispose of the product. At a recent meeting held in Gainesville 100 of the men most prominent in the industry reported a total of 15,358 colonies of bees. A general census showed that there are 3,000 bee keepers in the State.

Raisin Prices Due Soon.
No definite date has been set for the announcement of the second opening raisin prices by the California Associated Raisin Company, but intimations have reached the trade that the figures may be given to the public by the end of the current week. course, nothing can be said as to how they will compare with the first opening prices.

August Gumpert, who sold his gen eral stock at Elk Rapids two years ago to J. C. Krausman, has re-engaged in the dry goods and shoe business at that place. He purchased his dry goods of the Grand Rapids Dry Goods Co. and his shoes of the Hirth, Krause Co

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