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ONE OF MONTREAL'S CHOIRS IN FANTASTIC DRESS—The members of the Men's Own Brotherhood Choir of Calvary Congregational Church as they looked on the occasion of the Pierrot Concert given last week. (Photo by Gordon, St. Catherine Street West.)



MEMBERS OF THE GORDON HARRIER CLUB FOR 1908-09, INCLUDING ABE. WOOD, WHO MADE SUCH A GOOD SHOWING AT THE ARENA LAST WEEK—Reading from left to right, the names are:—Back row: T. Betts, H. M. Gore, A. Cartwright, W. Showers, F. S. Gales, A. Welham, E. G. Smith (Secretary Harrier Club), J. C. Whalen. Middle row: A. D. Carmichael, W. Kerr, A. H. Thomson (Secretary Gordon A. A. A.), H. T. Diplock (President Gordon A. A. A.), A. C. Wood, F. T. Bown (Vice-President), S. B. Ward (President Gordon Harriers), E. Cote. Front row: D. R. Jones, A. W. Morrison, B. George, E. C. Brinson, E. H. Martin, T. Aspell, E. Cook, H. Cook. The Gordon Trophies are in the foreground. (Photo by Gordon, St. Catherine Street West.)



At The Clothes Show

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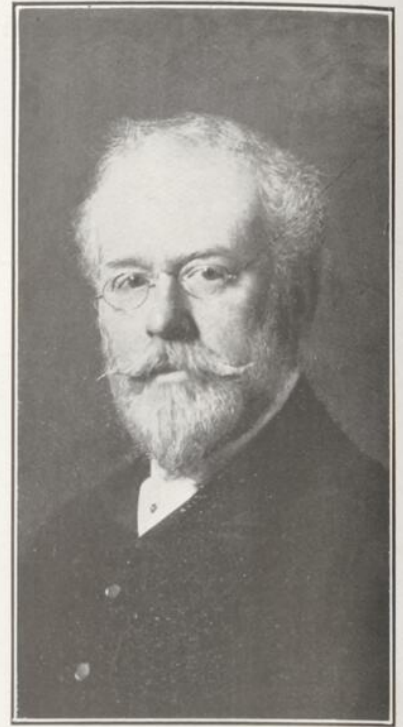
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Canada as the World's Granary.

THE centre of gravity in the world's wheat market shifted when the United States found that our people consumed all the wheat raised in our territory, leaving none for exportation, says the Literary Digest (N.Y.). Yet even now this country raises more wheat (634,000,000 bushels) than any other single country in the world, and about sixty times as much as our neighbor on the north. Canada, however, is looked upon by some Italian economists as the coming bread-giver of the

civilized world, although at this moment Italy itself is producing nearly twice as much wheat as the Dominion. According to a writer in the Minerva (Rome), the help of the Dominion in giving bread to the hungry is now urgently needed. This supreme cereal, although at present cultivated so widely and so plentifully, says this Roman weekly, is beyond the reach of such multitudes that "many economists have published statistics of an alarming character, as they tend to prove that the human race increases so fast that it is in danger, in the near future, of meeting the fate of Count Ugolino." The writer tries to reassure these alarmists by pointing to Canada: "Fortunately, the cultivation of wheat has for the last few years been developed to a phenomenal degree in the fertile and boundless plains of Western

Canada, and the production is all the while increasing. The day is not far distant when Canada, cultivated with eager industry by the robust arms of the immigrants who are crowding in, will become the granary of the world, as Egypt was of the Roman Empire." "When it is considered that 25,000,000 bushels suffice for the home consumption of Canada, it will be seen how vast a quantity of wheat is available for exportation. It has been calculated by Canadian statisticians and publicists that in twenty-five years the area of the wheat-fields in Western Canada will amount to 6,000,000 acres. As the average production of each acre is 18.98 bushels, which is 50 per cent. more than the average productivity of the rest of the world, Canada will be able to put upon the market an amount of grain equal to half of the



ROBERT HARRIS, C.M.G., R.C.A., one of the exhibitors at the Spring Exhibition of the Art Association of Montreal.



MISS HELEN G. McNICHOL, one of the exhibitors at the Spring Exhibition of the Art Association of Montreal.

world's total production, which at the present moment does not exceed 1,500,000,000 bushels."

"The harvest of last year brought \$100,000,000 to the farmers of Canada. This success in the cultivation of grains has inspired the movement which eventually must result in the abandonment of every other department of agriculture, in order that every effort may be concentrated on the production of wheat."



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