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**THE SOAP INDUSTRY.**

This paper is ever ready to chronicle the success of home industries and to aid if possible providing they are deserving of success in building up and extending their trade. The exportation of material in its raw or unmanufactured state is becoming less every year. A few years ago we were large exporters of tallow and imported it again manufactured into soap. But it was a loss to this Province and a benefit to none but the foreign manufacturer. It is certainly a great advantage to have our surplus tallow manufactured here. We learn from the manager of the Charlottetown Soap Works that his factory will henceforth require every pound of tallow produced in this Province to meet the rapidly-increasing demand for his soap. Yet this Province still imports soap, from other parts of Canada and from England. That soap made in England after paying freight and duty charges can be sold here in competition with our soap seems extraordinary. But upon enquiry the explanation is clear. The soap imported from England is not made from tallow. All the best soaps made in England are from tallow but they are never brought here in competition with our soaps. That would be impossible. The imported English soap is made from cocoanut oil. The Encyclopaedia Britannica Vol XXI page 203, states that Cocoanut soap is usually prepared by the so called cold method in which a calculated quantity of caustic soda solution of sp. gr. 1.350 the two constituents being stirred together till the settling and hardening of the combination prevents further agitation. The property that cocoanut soap possesses of absorbing large proportions of water and yet presenting the appearance of a hard solid body makes the material a favorite basis for highly sophisticated compounds, in which water, sulphate of soda and other alkaline solutions, soluble silicates, fuller's earth, starch, etc., play an important and bulky part. Cocoa-nut soap is little prepared by itself, but it forms a principal ingredient in compound soaps meant to imitate curd and yellow soaps. From this it is evident that cocoa nut soap is capable of much adulteration and yet from its solid appearance be very taking with the consumer. In the soap trade, as in everything else, in a Province such as this, there is a continual conflict between prejudice and reason. It is by no means an imaginary fight nor is it of ordinary magnitude. In the art and trade of soap-making it is perhaps more conspicuous than in any other line. It is that magical word "imported" that causes all the trouble. In this province we can make as good quality of soap as is made abroad, and in some grades much better. Yet, in spite of that fact a soap bearing a foreign name will with many have the preference. Some of our traders have a preference for foreign soaps although they know little and often nothing of the real merits of the unfavored Island brands. This is simply from favor for the one and prejudice against the other. The sharp competition among soap makers for the trade and the many opportunities afforded for the introduction of adulterates in their products, leads us to think some guide should be afforded traders in purchasing soaps. No trader should buy a brand of soap for less than a pure soap can be made, and he should have a guarantee from the vendor that the soap is made from pure tallow exclusively with just enough alkali for the saponification of the tallow, or in other words have a guarantee that the soap is made from tallow and is neutral. But this, we fear, is never exacted by the trader. If everyone insisted upon using the cheapest and best article they would find that the cheapest and best soap for the Laundry is a pure neutral soap made from tallow. The manager of the Charlottetown Soap Works does not fear foreign competition. In fact, he claims to be able to make and sell a first-class article of soap much cheaper than it can be imported. But what he does fear is competition with adulterated imported soaps. Consumers could solve the difficulty by submitting samples of soap to a practical chemist and get a complete analysis which perhaps involves more trouble and expense than most consumers care to incur. There are however formulas which by the exercise of a little care and patience will enable anyone to do his own soap analysis.

**THE SANCY DIAMOND.**

In the ordinary course of events Miss Pauline Astor will some day become possessor of the most famous and magnificent diamond owned outside of a crown treasure. The gem in question is the world famous Sancy diamond, owned by her father, and were it to appear among the jewels worn at any court function or royal drawing room it would entirely throw into the shade every other gem there except the Kohinoor, which the queen always wears on state occasions as a brooch.

The Sancy is a stone which is possessed of a remarkable history. Weighing about 54 carats, it at one time formed part of the crown jewels of Duke Charles the Bold of Burgundy, and on his death in battle in Switzerland was found set either in his helmet or sword hilt. The Swiss sold it to the French king of the day, and from that time forth it became one of the crown jewels of France.

It disappeared at the time of the revolution, reappeared at the restoration and at the time of the second revolution in 1830 passed by purchase into the possession of Anatole Demidoff, the Muscovite millionaire. It was worn for a time by Demidoff's wife, Princess Mathilde Bonaparte, but he took it from her before their separation and then bequeathed it to his nephew, Paul Demidoff. The latter sold it in the sixties for the sum of \$200,000, a ridiculously small price, to the late Sir Jamesjee Jejeehoboy, the Parsee millionaire and philanthropist of Bombay. After his demise his heirs put it once more in the market, and it was purchased by William Waldorf Astor by private contract, no mention being made of the price paid.—Philadelphia Times.

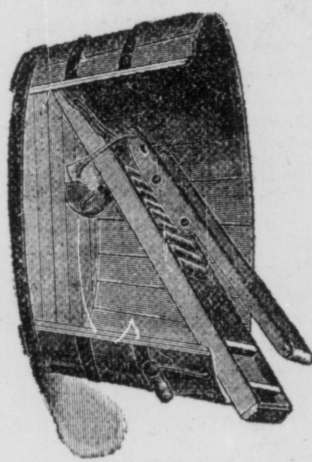
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He was a mere stripling of a lad. He might have been 7 years of age or he might have been 9. Nobody could tell by looking at his face. The only mark of certainty about the youthful countenance was the sure sign that some of his ancestors had come from old Ireland. The little fellow walked hastily into the office of the warrant clerk of Recorder Finnegan's court. He did not notice the four persons standing in line waiting to get affidavits made out against some bothersome relatives, but the youth pushed through the crowd and disengaged the attention of the clerk with this odd demand:

"I want to make an affidavit against my pa," said he and pushed his little red head around the side of the desk.

"You want what?" queried the clerk.

"I want to swear against pa," said the boy again.

"What has your pa done?"

"He has just been in a prizefight with ma."

"Well, why don't your ma swear out the warrant against pa? My boy, you are too young; you won't fill the bill."

"My ma can't come, and she wanted me to fix it up for her."

"Why could she not come?" asked the clerk, getting interested in the youngster's story. He could not imagine why the wife would not be only too willing to swear out the warrant.

"My pa and ma they got in the fight in the kitchen. That is how it happened. My pa made a drive for her, but didn't land, and then my ma she grabbed up the rolling pin and floored the old man. She is now setting on him, holding him down, and that is why she couldn't come to swear against him. She sent me."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

**GERMAN EDUCATION.**

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