GERMANY LOST TOY MARKET

United States and Japan Now Supply Canada With Playthings She Does Not Produces

The United States is now first in supplying those toys needed to supplement the output of Canadian factories. The additional quantity required by Canada to supply its own domestic trade amountéd in the last year to \$1,-500,000 worth, Before the war Germany was the chief source of supply, but the United States now leads and Japan has likewise made a notable advance in its toy shipments to that market. In 1913 American exports of toys to Canada amounted to \$273,138 and in the year ended March 31, 1920, the total was \$1,136,372. Japan's trade grew from \$18,738 to \$277,946 in the same period, while there was only a small increase in toys sent from the United Kingdom.

The toy and doll industry of Canada, according to Vice, Consul Horace M. Sanford at Ottawa, has made considerable advance compared with prewar time, but imports were needed to meet the domestic demand. At the present time some thirty-five Canadian toy factories are listed, although the census returns of 1918 reported only fifteen. The kinds of toys made there include animals, autos, balls, billiard games, boats, building blocks, carriages crokinole boards, croquet sets, dishes, dolls' furniture, games, garden sets, lawn swings, pool tables, tricycles and wheelbarrows, which are made of celluloid, eramel, iron, steel, tin, rubber and wood.

Last year Canada exported \$189,052 worth of dolls and toys, the United States taking \$5,635 worth and the United Kingdom \$120,322.

Janitor Called On as "Dinner Substitute" Might Object to Personal

A young Indianapolis physician had been invited by a school teacher, to accompany her to a dinner party at which he was an absolute stranger. He accepted the invitation, but at the last minute had to break it. "But you can take some other man and pass him off for me," he offered, generously. "No one there knows me, so it'll go all right."

The teacher hesitated. "But they know most of the men I know," she said. And then a sudden smile came over her face. "I might take our school janitor. He's new in the city, but you could give him some of your clothes and it would probably pass."

"But how does he talk?" asked the doctor, a little bit doubtful of the

"Oh, his talking is all right," assured the teacher, and smiled wider than ever again. "There's only one thing I'm not sure about. He chews tobacco, and I wondered if he would do without for that long."—Indianapolis News.

· American Gobs as Gondoliers.

American gobs are learning how to become gondoliers, and an American school has for the first time included gondoliering as a regular course. In Venice the Knights of Columbus operate a social service club on the banks of the Grand canal, and in connection with the club the Knights of Columbus maintain a well-equipped school, run on the lines of the Knights of Columbus free night schools in America. French, Italian, Turkish and other languages are taught in the school to the men of the American Mediterranean naval unit, as well as navigation and other technical courses

Now gondoliering has been added, as the American sailors relish driving themselves and their Venetian friends around the gem of the Adriatic in gondolas. Some of the sailors are becoming expert in handling the picturesque craft, Knights of Columbus Commissioner Edward L. Hearn reports.

Only Natural.

The school principal had been busy all day selecting children from the various classes, to do some special work. She was very tired and also very much pre-occupied when the janitor entered her office. In response to her mechanical nod he began: "Miss M—, that crossing out there is dangerous. If they don't send us a traffic officer some of the children in this school are going to get killed."

She had not really heard his speech.

for he was always complaining, so she
made no answer. And then he repeated his assertion with some emphasis,
chding: "They are going to get killed
out there—some of our children."

She had caught the last phrase, and mechanically, after her day of classifying, said: "Then I had better pick out the ones I prefer for that."

And the jauitor fled.

Goat Disclosed Rich Mine.

A mountain goat recently was responsible for the discovery of what is believed to be one of the most valuable mines in British Columbia, which had been hunted by prospectors for years, after rich float ore had been found. A. Finn was hunting mountain goats high above timber line. He had trailed an animal for miles when it came out on a glacier and stood in full view against the sky on a pin nacle of ice. Finn's rifle cracked and the goat fell dead down a steep precipice and rolled several hundred feet. Its body fetched up near the foot of the glacier and when Finn reached it he found it had dislodged a massive rock beneath which the long-searchedfor velu lay exposed.

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