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In the wholesale dry goods trade, business is reported as show this week, owing to the season, though something is being done in "filling in stuff." Lo-cal houses are receiving outing flan-nels of various patterns in checks, stripes, plaids and in plain colors. There is much counting on the fall trade, with semi-annual clearance sales in some places. The cotton goods market is reported making sea-sonable progress toward the normal. sales in some places. The cotton goods market is reported making sea-sonable progress toward the normal. Shipments in the primary market of late have shown a decided increase, and efforts to clean up all lots of low line dress goods have been strong. At the same time there has been a gen-eral buying of staple prints, ginghams, domestic cottons, and lines of semi-staple cottons. There has been some-thing of a halt in the print cloth de-mand, with the mills facing a small-er volume of business. Bleached goods continue to sell in a general way to jobbers, with leading agencies look-ing for large July and August trade. Silk men are watching fall develop-ments closely. Soft silks are said to be growing steadily in favor, and will be largely bought for fall. Crepe weaves are beginning to come in strong favor, with taffetas represent-ing 55 per cent of the fall sales. In the larger western cities peau de cygne ranks next to taffeta, with sating In the third place. Fancy surahis have been taken up for nase in making up cloth stripe effects. The linen situa-tion is considered favorable. For cur-rent demands, dress linens still lead. Jute prices have sharply advanced

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