

PERSONALS

Mr. RALPH LAWSON, a managing director of Absoloms, Ltd., tea importers and exporters, London, spent a month in New York recently, returning to London on May 19th. While in the United States he made headquarters at the offices of Gravenhorst & Co., agents for Absoloms, Ltd.

L. BELING, Director of the India Tea Bureau, New York, sailed for England, June 12th, on his annual visit to confer with officials of the Indian Tea Association in London.

ROBERT COMPTON, Manager of the Tea Department of Dodwell & Co., Ltd., importers, New York, and Mrs. Compton, who have been traveling in Europe, are expected back in New York about June 25th.

DR. H. A. F. SIEWERTSZ VAN REESEMA, manager of the Batavia branch of Mirandolle, Voute & Co., N. V., coffee and spice merchants, who is making a round-the-world trip visiting the concern's customers, arrived in New York in early May. He planned to stay in the United States until late July. While in New York he is making headquarters at the offices of J. T. Johnstone & Co., representatives of Mirandolle Voute & Co.

I. B. CATZ of the Catz American Co., spice merchants, New York, sailed for Holland, June 2nd, on a business trip.

W. S. JAMIESON, formerly with the Loblaw Groceries Co., Ltd., is now Merchandise Manager of the Jewel Food Stores, Chicago.

FRANK GRIMES was re-elected president of the Independent Grocers Alliance at a Board of Directors' meeting held in early June.

LONDON MEN TO VISIT U. S.

Special Correspondence

LONDON, May 15, 1934.—Mr. A. P. Mitchell-Innes, a director of Messrs. Fincham-Matson & Co., Ltd., wholesale tea and coffee dealers, this city, established in 1801, plans to visit the United States soon. Mr. Mitchell-Innes has traveled extensively in the East. He will call on the concern's customers in the United States. On the termination of a business tour, he is planning to marry Miss Ann Howard at Boston on July 14th; after a brief honeymoon he will take his bride to England, where the couple will reside.

George P. Hargreaves, sales consultant of London, is planning to visit New York City in the near future.—N. L.

SWEDISH ROASTER STUDIES

AMERICAN COFFEE HANDLING

Mr. Sven Engwall, managing director of Vict. Th. Engwall & Co., Kommanditbolag, coffee importers and roasters, Gefle, Sweden, arrived in New York on May 22 after an extended visit via El Salvador and Guatemala to Colombia where he made a detailed study of coffee growing and shipping operations. In Colombia he took in practically all of the great coffee producing districts, traveling by air. During his stay in New York Mr. Engwall devoted his time to coffee roaster and distribution facilities, together with the latest equipment utilized in the various phases of coffee handling—these to be adapted to the needs of the firm with which he is connected, founded by his grandfather eighty-one years ago. He sailed for home on June 2.

OBITUARY

Mr. Alfred Brown

Mr. Alfred Brown, J.P., former chairman of the Colombo Commercial Co., Ltd., Colombo, Ceylon, died on May 14th, aged 73, at his home, Horsell Grange, Woking, England. He had served as a director of the following companies: Ouvah Ceylon Estates, Spring Valley Ceylon Estates, Hunasgeria Tea, Mooloya Estates, Telbedde Ceylon Estates, Ellawatte Ceylon Tea Estates, Mayfield (Dimbula) Tea Company of Ceylon, and Rani Travancore Rubber Co. Mr. Brown was a member of the Council of the Ceylon Association in London for many years, and served as President of the Association, 1908-10.

Mr. W. P. Metcalfe

Mr. W. P. Metcalfe, a member of the Council of the Ceylon Association in London, and former chairman of the Hanipha (Ceylon) Tea and Rubber Co. and Namunakula Tea Estate Co., died on May 8th.

Mr. Ronald J. Farquhar

Mr. Ronald James Farquhar, for many years a tea planter in Ceylon, died recently at Tilshead, Wiltshire, England, at the age of 79.

Mr. T. C. Huxley

Mr. T. C. Huxley, who retired as a partner in Whittall & Co., Colombo, Ceylon, in 1911, and who was a former tea planter in Ceylon on the Peradeniya Estate, died in England recently, aged 81.

Mr. Frank T. Wright

Mr. Frank Thurlow Wright, one of the founders of the Galphele Tea and Rubber Estates, Ltd., Ceylon, of which he had been resident manager for many years, died on April 30th at Marseilles, aged 70.

Sir John Sumner

Sir John Sumner, head of Ty-Phoo Tea, Ltd., Birmingham, England, died on May 18th, aged 78.

Mr. Arthur J. Tweed

Mr. Arthur James Tweed, a partner in the firm of Messrs. R. Twining & Co., tea merchants, London, is dead at the age of 74. When the firm was formed into a limited liability company in 1904 he was elected chairman.

Mr. Richard O. Miller

Richard O. Miller, formerly Western Manager of the Dwinell-Wright Co., coffee roasters, at Chicago, died on May 10th, aged 79. Mr. Miller joined the concern early in his business career, representing the Dwinell-Wright Co. in Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky. Later he went on to Chicago. For many years the deceased was active in the affairs of the National Coffee Roasters Association, and the Chicago Coffee Roasters Association, prior to his retirement in 1928 from active business.

TEA EXPORTS FROM CEYLON

Special Correspondence

COLOMBO, May 8, 1934.—Exports of tea from Ceylon, January, February, March, 1934, according to The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce, were: black, 47,087,402 lbs.; green, 160,149. Shipments, same period, 1933, were: 60,835,115 and 161,573 lbs., respectively.—GALLE FACE.