

# 2,500 PATENTS FOR THE GERMANS COMING TO CANADA

**Partial List Compiled by Mr.  
Babcock — New Act Now  
in Force.**

Montreal, Sept. 25.—“There are over 2,500 patents granted in Canada to Germans, Austrians and Hungarians, which are thrown open to Canadian manufacturers by the new Act,” said William S. Babcock, registered Patent Attorney, this morning. Mr. Babcock's office is in the Banque Nationale Building, 99 St. James street; and ever since the Act came in he has been hard at work compiling a list of German and Austrian-held patents.

“Over four-fifths of patents taken out in Canada are allowed to lapse after the first third of their eighteen year term has expired,” explained Mr. Babcock, “otherwise there would be very many more chances for exclusive holdings for Canadian manufacturers. As it is, when a patent lapses at the end of six years, it becomes public property, and cannot be protected again.

“I have compiled a list of patents granted in the past eight or ten years, of which those granted since the beginning of 1909 are naturally the most interesting, as they are certain to be still in existence.