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It is stated that the Paton Woollen Manufacturing Company at Sherbrooke has made a three-years' contract with the Dominion Government for making scarlet cloth for Canadian Volunteer uniforms.

A MEETING of the dairymen of St. Lawrence, Wolfe Island, is reported by the Kingston *Whig*. It was held lately with the object of starting a cheese factory on the farm of H. McDonald. It will be known as the St. Lawrence Cheese Factory, and probably open on the 14th May.

A TELEGRAM of Monday last announced that nearly 200 cars of railway freight destined for the city of Quebec, part of it being spring importations, was "stuck" at Levis and South Quebec because of inadequate means of getting it across the St. Lawrence. This is the sort of thing that will "boom" the bridge idea.

WORD comes from Ottawa that a number of seizures by Customs' officers have been reported to the Department. Among them is a considerable seizure of cotton prints at Prescott. A lot of silk ribbon as an enclosure has been seized at Moncton. A quantity of Chinese tobaccos and cigars have been seized at Vancouver for smuggling.

THE Chemainus saw-mill, steam and water-power, which is offered for sale by its owners, who are leaving that province, has a capacity of 50,000 feet per day, and ships its cut to Australia, Mexico, and San Francisco, as well

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as selling locally. The property is described to us as a very complete one for its purpose, with latest appliances and large limits. Chemainus is on Vancouver Island, about 50 miles from Victoria, and has a good harbor directly across the strait from Vancouver city.

THE Belleville Cheese Board of Trade met for organization last week, according to the *Intelligencer*, and elected officers as under noted: Jas. Bird, president; W. McLaren, first vice-president; Jas. McComb, second vice-president; F. W. Brenton, secretary-treasurer; J. T. Warrington and H. Hodgson, auditors.

THE State Department has published a table showing the official returns of receipts and expenditures of the telegraph service of Great Britain from the time of its transfer to the Government until March 31st, 1887. The aggregate receipts were 23,896,571 pounds; expenditures, 21,748,145 pounds, besides 2,395,082 pounds balance to meet interest on stock and debt redemption; thus making an excess of expenditures over receipts of 246,656 pounds. The receipts and expenditures were both greater during the year ending March 31st, 1887, than during any previous year.

SAID the *Edinburgh Review*, fifty years ago: "It is difficult to estimate too highly the tendency of the people to save their earnings. It is a matter of deep interest to the State; for a man who has invested a portion of his

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earnings in securities for the permanence and safety of which the peace and good order of society are essential, must be a tranquil and conservative citizen."

IN the May number of the *Bankers' Magazine* appears an interesting example of the results of economy related by the president of the Boston Y. M. C. Union. The treasurer of the Arlington Savings Bank is executor of the estate of the late James C. Blanchard, who died at Arlington a few months ago, at the age of sixty, and has this to say about the dead man: "When sixteen years old young Blanchard began to learn the trade of a carpenter, and served five years' apprenticeship. He soon after began to work as a journeyman carpenter, which trade he followed through life, an honest, faithful man, working for his daily wages. He built for himself a small house and married. His wife and children died. For eleven years he was the sexton of the Orthodox Church at Arlington, at an annual salary of \$100. He always enjoyed good health, never spent a dollar in his life for tobacco or alcoholic liquors. He was a regular attendant at church, paying annually a pew rental of \$24. At the time of his death it was thought he might have been in possession of possibly \$5,000, laid up from his daily wages of say \$3 per day, but when Mr. Proctor took charge of the estate he found that he possessed sixteen savings bank books, all full; also personal and other property, amounting in all to \$34,000."

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