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#### Mercantile Summary.

A NEW steam roller has just arrived in Halifax from England for the use of that city. Its cost was \$3,000.

SEVERAL extensive deposits of platinum have been made, it is said, in the Similkameen district of British Columbia.

THE C.P.R. land sales for the month of March were 101,020 acres, which sold for \$333,852, three times as large as for the same month last year.

THE Hull city council has announced that the recent plebiscite to decide on the authorization of a loan of \$73,000, to complete the City Hall and make other local improvements, had carried, with full conditions complied with.

MR. C. BURNETT, a rancher near Rush Lake, on the south branch of the Saskatchewan, reports a discovery of natural gas on a small island in the river. The spot is about 90 miles north-west of Moose Jaw.

By the new by-law, recently passed by the Berlin town council, the Berlin and Bridgeport Street Railway Company is authorized to construct and operate for a term of twenty years over certain specified roads. The company is to spend before July 1st, next, \$2,000, and is to complete the road from Berlin to the Township before August 1st, 1903.

THE Canadian Freight Agents' Association have elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, John Pulen, general freight agent of the G.T.R.; first vice-president, W. P. Hinton, general freight agent, Canada Atlantic; second vice-president, Carl How, assistant general freight agent, Michigan Central; secretary-treasurer, John Earle, Toronto.

MESSRS. Armstrong, Morrison & Balfour, contractors, Vancouver, have signed a contract with the British Columbia Government for the construction of the substructure of the bridge over Fraser river at New Westminster, the price being \$300,000. The superstructure is to be built by the Dominion Bridge Co., of Montreal

ACCORDING to the Railway Gazette, the Canadian Pacific road has the following rolling stock now on order: Seventy-two le comotives, forty of which are to be built at the Schnectady works of the American Locomotive Co.; eight consolidations at the Canadian Locomotive Co., Kingston, Ont.; and the remainder at the company's own shops. Also two dining cars, sixteen combination dining and sleeping cars for use of the construction department; forty coaches, twelve sleeping cars, two parlor cars, one observation car, five baggage cars, 55 vans, three pile-drivers, two derrick cars, fifty double-deck cars, fifty refrigerator cars, 300 coal cars, 218 stock cars, 1,854 box cars, and 50 ore cars. The bulk of this equipment will be built at the company's own shops, except 1,000 fortyton box cars, which will be built by Rhodes, Curry & Co., Amherst, N.S. The total is 2,679 cars and 72 locomotives,

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