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Mercantile Summary.

A New Brunswick journal states that as a result of sending a few samples to Ireland, orders have been received by Pender, of St. John, for eight tons of his horse shoe nails.

It has been decided by the Montreal Board of Health that no ice may be cut elsewhere than from the St. Lawrence above Victoria bridge, at any point 1,000 feet from the shore, or below that bridge 1.000 feet from the St. Lambert or city shore.

THE Duluth Gold Mining Company have put up another Wiswell mill, says the Lunenburg, N. S., Progress, and are also erecting a 30 stamp crusher. They are getting out great quantities of low-grade ore, which is improving in richness as depth is reached.

THE Canadian-American places the number of horses exported from Prince Edward Island to the United States, during the past season, at one hundred. The correct number is about ten times as many. Why does not the Summerside Journal abuse that American paper as it did the Monetary Times for seeking to decry the fair little Island.

THE masonry work on the Vandreuil and St. Anne's bridges on the C. P. R. was finished on Thursday last. This work has been rapidly done, the contract for the work being signed last June and the first stone laid on August 11th. There are 30 piers and 6 abutments, and 11,000 cubic yards of stone, all from Canadian quarry. Seven hundred and fifty men were emplo ed on the work.

THE number of pounds of type used in the newspapers of the United States is put at 6,589,878. A pound of type averages about 370 ems, and an average of about 2,500 ems is left in the cases. The average composition per newspaper is 74,147 ems for dailies, and for weeklies 57,197. The total amount of type set for one issue of the daily newspapers of the country would make 2,785 duodecimo volumes. Eight thousand persons are employed.

THE Monoton Gas Light and Water Company have added \$20,000 to their capital stock out of earnings, making the shares 80 per cent. paid up, and have further declared a dividend of 4 per cent. for the past half-year on the 80 per cent. The old certificates are now being called in and new ones substituted as above. This company supplies gas, electric light and water to the Intercolonial Railway and to the town of Moncton, and has always been a suc-

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