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THE Windsor Hotel at Fort William, Ont., has been burned down, at a loss of \$10,000.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway is said to be considering a plan for improving its air-brake system, in order to lessen the destruction of cattle along its lines.

THE Crawford Bay & St. Mary River Railway Company want authority from the Dominion Parliament to build and operate a railroad (steam, electric, or other power), from Crawford Bay on Kootenay Lake, to Fort Steele, in British Columbia, also to generate electricity for the supply of heat, light and power.

THE Ontario Association of Land Surveyors held their annual meeting in Toronto last week, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, C. A. Jones, Petrolea, Ont.; vice-president, J. W. Tyrrell, Hamilton; sec.-treas., Capt. Killaly Gamble, Toronto; auditors, J. F. Whitson and W. A. McLean, Toronto.

On the 25th ult., a fire at St. Stephen, N.B., did damage to the Bonness building to the amount of \$2,500, and destroyed the dry goods stock of W. J. Alger, value, \$4,000; G. and L. Walls' book and stationery stock, \$3,500; St. Croix Jewellery Company, \$10,000. Most of the losses were covered by insurance

THE Fundy Coal Company, Limited, are pushing development work on their property at Lower Cove, near Amherst, N.S. Already a shaft has been sunk about 600 feet, and is still being extended, while levels have been run a good distance at a depth of 500 feet. The mine is at present raising about 75 tons of coal daily, but this output is rapidly being increased. Modern machinery is being put in.

THE International Railway Bridge Company, of New Brunswick, is applying to the legislature of New Brunswick for incorporation, with power to build a railway bridge or a combined railway and highway bridge across Restigouche river, from near Campbelltown, N.B., to Mission Point, Que., and to build a railroad to connect with the Atlantic and Lake Superior Railway and the International Railway of New

THE big contract for the erection of the International Harvester Company's works at Hamilton, Ont., is now about completed, the cost being about \$250,ooo. The buildings include a warehouse 450 feet long, by 130 feet wide; paint shop, knife and bar building, forge building extension 400 by 90 feet; wood room extension; grey iron foundry extension 450 feet long, by 130 feet wide; paint large fire-brick ovens. The company (Deering division), is said to be contemplating the erection of still further buildings.

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