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Mercantile Summary.

FROM Ottawa it is learned that the Canadian Broom Co., Limited, of that city, is to be wound up, and affairs are in the hands of W. A. Cole, assignee. The company was incorporated only in March, 1903, with an authorized capital of \$40,000, but very little actual capital was ever apparently paid in.

THE Market Committee of the Montreal city council have quite recently met and drawn up appropriations for next year. They total \$66,426, of which \$19,636 is for salaries. Most of these are for repairs to the following markets: Bonsecours, \$6,500; St. Antoine, \$3,500; the Eastern cattle market, \$26,250. This sum is to be used, if obtained, for rather extensive improvements.

SEVERAL changes have been made in the managing directorate of the Montreal Street Railway Company as a consequence of the resignation of Mr. F. L. Wanklyn, its first vice-president and general manager, who, we understand, will occupy an important position under Mr. James Ross in the Dominion Coal Company and the Mexican Light and Power Company. Mr. K. W. Blackwell becomes vice-president also of Montreal Park and Island Railway. Mr. W. G. Ross, heretofore secretary-treasurer of the Street Railway, becomes managing director, while Mr. Duncan McDonald, who has been assistant manager, becomes general manager. Mr. Patrick Dubee is appointed secretary.

THE following is a record of patents recently granted to Canadian inventors in Canada and the United States: Canadian—R. Oliver, shocking machines; R. D. Gardiner, apparatus for pickling or treating grain; P. H. Cowper, hydraulic valves; J. W. Provan, litter and feed carriers; J. W. Provan, hoisting apparatus; R. O. Dobbin, smoke consumers; H. Hamel, cattle guard; H. and S. Fox, tongue supports; G. A. Roedde, loose leaf binders; W. B. Stevens, parturition forceps; J. Lavigne, aux ressorts a voitures; I. R. Lemm, boat checks; E. B. Jarvis, moulds for artificial stone; H. W. Smith and M. F. Smith, pneumatic straw stackers; H. B. Frost and H. L. Frost and A. Robertson, barbed wire for fences; M. Turnbull, wire-stretching machine; E. A. LeSuer, art of causing evaporation; L. A. Melanson, auxiliary thill coupling; J. Hauser, hose couplings; J. B. Perry, brake shoes; T. E. Ayotte and A. A. Charbonneau, brick machines; T. N. Stubbs, weather strips; T. J. Watkinson, balanced roller blind; A. Johnston, harrows. United States—G. M. Absalom, threshing machine; E. Brougham, pneumatic seat post for bicycles; A. B. Collin, scale or weighing beam; E. F. Comber, boiler furnace; J. W. Olaholm and G. T. Kent, parallel ruler; A. Guindon, rotary engine; E. G. Overholt, fence-weaving machine; N. Prince, voting machine; T. M. Ramsay, adjustable drivers' seat; A. Sonsthagon, bracket or clamp; E. S. Stimpson and C. Short, clamping device for heddle bars or supports.

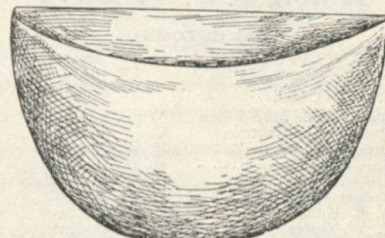
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