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APPLICATION will be made at the next session of the Dominion Parliament for an Act to incorporate the Kootenay Central Railway Company to build a line from Fort Steele to Elko, or between Elko and Wardner, and from Fort Steele to Windermere, and thence to the town of Golden. Application will also be made for an Act to incorporate the Alaska & Northwestern Railway Company, from a point near Pyramid Harbor, on Lynn canal, through Chilkat Pass by the way of Dalton trail to Fort Selkirk.

MR. GEORGE B. REEVE, general manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, has been elected a director of the Central Vermont Railway in the stead of the late general manager of the Grand Trunk, Mr. Charles M. Hays. Mr. Reeve, by virtue of his executive position, will be elected chairman of the Board of Directors. The stockholders of the road have authorized the execution of a mortgage supplemental to a mortgage of May 1st, 1899, to the American Loan and Trust Company, of Boston, of the Rouses Point terminals recently acquired from the Ogdenshurg and Lake Champlain Railway.

WE learn from advance sheets of the Ontario Gazette that charters have recently been granted to the following: The Canada Ice Company, limited, Toronto; capital, \$50,000; the provisional directors of the company are: Samuel Greenwood, L. J. Clark, Ebenezer Bedford, Ralph Burns and R. E. Graham, of Toronto, and they will manufacture and deal in ice, ice appliances, etc. The Brock-. ville Mining Company, limited; capital, \$40,000; the provisional directors being G. T. Fulford, J. MacLaren, and E. J. Reynolds. The Ritchie Company, limited. Belleville; capital, \$100,000, to manufacture and trade in general merchandise, and to make articles of clothing. The Frankford Electric Light Company, limited; capital, \$40,000, to construct and operate works for the production and distribution of electricity in Frankford, among those interested are, J. S. Lovell and E. W. McNeill, of Toronto. Pugsley, Dingman & Co., limited, Toronto; capital stock, \$500,000, who will carry on a business as manufacturers of soap, glycerine, grocers' sundries, etc. The Crystal Sugar Company, limited, Sombra: capital, \$40,000, of which the provisional directors are W. K. Snider, H. Stokes, E. Tomlin, R. A. Stokes and W. G. Stover. all of Sombra; they will grow sugar-beets and deal in sugar and live stock. The Canadian Electro-Chemical Company. limited. Sault Ste. Marie; canital, \$100 .-000, in which F. H. Clergue and W. W.

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