

of dismantling it, and removing the pieces to the new building. The whole cost of the second erection is included under the head engine and engine house, already noticed.

A survey of the location was made last summer, and lines run up the centre and sides, with three cross lines at equal distances, and right angles to the main line, but as the Report is before you I need not farther notice it.

5TH.—BRICK YARD.

Owing to the large number of bricks necessary for the erection of the smelting works, and the high rate of freight from the St. Clair, it was deemed advisable to send up one of Adam's Patent Brick Machines, and a spot adapted for it was accordingly chosen, cleared and levelled. The brick yard is about a quarter of an acre in extent, and is calculated to dry about a hundred thousand bricks at one time. An excellent bed of clay, five feet thick, and abundance of sand, are on the spot, which is close to the water, and the brick maker promises a first rate brick. Owing to the clay used last summer not having been exposed to frost, it was very stiff and difficult to work, and the quantity of brick made was consequently small. A large supply of clay has now been got out for next summer's make, probably not far from one half of what will be required. The remainder will be got out during the winter, and being frozen, will lose all the stiffness which was so detrimental last summer.

The balance of £281 5s. 9d. against the account, and which includes the cost of getting out the clay for spring, will I expect be more than wiped off this year, and a fair profit upon this special branch realized.

6TH.—THE STORE.

This department, I am happy to say, has more than realised my expectations. The amount of sales during the past twelve months have amounted to £10,204 14s. 7d., and the profit carried to credit of head office to £2,440 4s. 4d., from which, however, have to be deducted in estimating the real amount, £211 6s. 4d. for wages, &c., connected with it, and £95 12s. 6d. for rent and insurance. The amount of profit for the past year would have been £390 16s. 11d. more, had it not been